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Infighting **Escalates** 

In Tehran U.S. Arms Deal Adds to Friction

**Over Succession** By Loren Jenkins

Washington Past Service TEHRAN — A ruthless po struggle within the ruling Iranian hierarchy appears to be escalating in preparation for what diplomats and other analysts here believe will be a troubled political succession once Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomei-

ni passes from the scene.

The power struggle, these sources said, has been under way for at least nine months as signs have mounted that the ayatoliah, 86, who guided the revolution eight years ago, is suffering from his advanced age, a weak heart and can-cer of the prostate.

Ayatollah Khomeini retains ultimate political authority as the sole figure who can arbitrate disputes among the disparate factions in Iran. But Iranian and foreign observers interviewed during a week-long visit here said they believe that once he dies, there will be an open and possibly violent bettle for power among his chief lieutenants.

The revelations last Novemb that Iran had been dealing with and receiving arms from the United States have exacerbated the conflict among the ruling Islamic clergymen. That struggle may have led to the detention Saturday of a Wall Street Journal correspondent, Ger-ald F. Seib, according to diplomatic observers in Tehran.

The main competing factions are headed by Ayatoliah Hussein Ali Montazeri, 63, who was designated Ayatoliah Khomeini's successor two years ago, and the politically agile and increasingly powerful speaker of the Majlis, or parliament, Hashensi Rafsanjani, 52

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The more conservative Montazeri faction has strongly opposed Mr. Rafsanjani's efforts to bolster relations with the outside world in order to improve Iran's ability to purchase arms and exert pressure on lead, its enemy in the Gulf wer. Sources here say it was Mr. Rafsugani who sought a diplomatic funded much of the Iraqi war ef-

fort, and who encouraged the arms deal with the United States.

Diplomatic observers said that Mr. Seib, an American journalist based in Cairo, may have been ar-rested by anti-American, pro-Montazeri elements in the Iranian govconnent in an attempt to embarrass Mr. Rafsanjani.

Mr. Rafsanjani was responsible for the invitations extended to more than 50 foreign journalists to the latest Iranian offensive against the Iraqi port city of Besra. Iran

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### LATE NEWS

#### Reagan Veto ls Overridden

WASHINGTON (UPI) The Senate voted, 86-14, Wednesday to override President Ronald Reagan's veto of a 520 billion measure to fund clean water programs. With the Senate's action, the bill became

The House of Representatives voted Tuesday to override the veto, the first by Mr. Rea-gan of a bill passed by the new Democratic-controlled Con-

#### Egypt Referendum

The Associated Press CAIRO - President Hosni Mubarak issued a decree Wednesday calling for a national referendum Feb. 12 on whether or not to dissolve the

Amendments to the election code approved on Dec. 31 had triggered questions as to the legitimacy of the corrent parlia-

#### **INSIDE TODAY**

**GENERAL NEWS** 

U.S. health officials consider recommending much wider screening for AIDS. Page 3. I Displaced farm families share a sense of longing for their lost

lives. Terry Waite was seized by kidnappers in a dispute over 17 Arabs held prisoner in Kuwait, a militia official said. Page 2 BUSINESS/FINANCE

The EC plans duties on some goods assembled by Japanese companies in Europe from imported components. Page 9. M American Home Products Corp. offered to buy A.H. Robins Co., which is in bankruptcy court proceedings. Page 9.

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Stars & Stripes, tacking in front of Kookaburra III early in Wednesday's race, completed a 4-0 sweep that regained the America's Cop for the United States.

# Stars & Stripes Sweeps to America's Cup Triumph

By Angus Phillips

FREMANTLE, Australia - Dennis Conner won back the America's Cup here Wednesday, exactly three years, four months and nine days after he made yachting history by becoming the first American in 132 years to lose it.

Conner, 44, a San Diego drapery manufacturer whom illors call "The Master," slid his blue Stars & Stripes over the starting line five seconds shead of Australian defender Kookaburra III, took an early lead and never relinquished it in winds of 15 to 20 knots.

The victory completed a 4-0 sweep of the Australian boat

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rested last week and held on espio-

dent for The Wall Street Journal,

was being expelled after comple-tion of a judicial investigation. The expulsion order was issued

Wednesday and Mr. Seib will leave Iran on Thursday, the agency said. It did not specify the destination of

The Information Ministry offi-

cial was quoted as saying Mr. Seib.

had been permanently banned

been invited to Iran to visit Gulf

Prime Minister Mir Hussein

Tehran radio earlier had accused

Mr. Seib of being a Zionist spy who

had come to Tehran on a false

passport disguised as a reporter.

Moussavi said earlier Wednesday

that the reporter had "collected ab-normal information on the fronts."

He did not elaborate.

TEHRAN - Iran said Wednes-

Iran to Expel Reporter

**Arrested for Espionage** 

day that it was expelling Gerald F. the Iranian allegations and official-Seib, a U.S. journalist who was ar-ly asked for Mr. Seib's release.

nage charges.

The Islamic Republic News
Agency quoted an Information countries, reported Wednesday in a Ministry official as saying that Mr. Seib, the Cairo-based corresponsions, the Cairo-based corresponsions, the Cairo-based corresponsions of the Cairo-based corresponsions o

from returning to Iran.

United States and the "unique efforts" of the Swiss ambassador to forts" of the Swiss ambassador to iran, Heinrich Reimann, played a

The United States, which broke relations with Iran in 1980, denied

The South-North News Service,

released from framian custody to

officials of the Swiss Embassy. The

embassy looks after U.S. interests

source at the Information Ministry, said that Mr. Seib's release in-

volved no deal with the United

The source added, however, that

the "reasonable approach" by the

iran, Heinrich Reimann, played a major role in Mr. Seib's release.

The precise reason for the deci-

sion to free Mr. Seib was not clear.

but the Iranian official emphasized

that the action was unconditional.

Service that Mr. Seib's detention

was the result of what he described

as mistakes and misunderstandings

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He told the South-North News

It marked the culmination of three years' work and the clearing of one final hurdle for Conner.

After he lost the cup in 1983 to the winged-keel Australia

II, Conner sought the support of the New York Yacht Club

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to win it back. But the NYYC, keeper of the trophy for 132 years, backed John Kolius and the America II campaign instead. Conner aligned himself with his hometown San Diego Yacht Club and patched together an organization on

The camp sign was strapped for money from the start, but

feated him twice in three races in the early challenger round

fearsome when the two yachts met in the finals to determine which would oppose the Australian defender.

But daring, last-minute changes to the keel, rudder and underbody of Stars & Stripes after the December trials proved effective and decisive.

Stars & Stripes improved by a dramatic seven seconds per mile upwind, and Conner dispatched New Zealand, 4-1.

boat's speed overrode all other attributes. Conner's biggest obstacle was New Zealand, which de-

The Kiwis had compiled a record of 37-1 and looked

The disclosure also demonstrates

that the Reagan administration

High school students in Sevilla, Spain, hiding behind a truck to avoid police water cannon during a demonstra-

tion Wednesday as protests spread around the country against university admission policies and costs. Page 4.

# Saudi Support For Contras Tied to AWACS

By Jeff Gerth New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - King Fahd and other Saudi Arabian officials agreed in 1981 to aid anti-Communist resistance groups around the world as part of an arrangement allowing them to buy sophisticated American AWACS radar planes, according to U.S. officials and others familiar with

As an example of this arrangement, Fahd and other officials tried in 1984 and 1985 to funnel \$15 million to the Nicaraguan rebels, according to an American businessman who said he turned down requests from Fahd and other Saudi officials to

be a conduit for the money.

The businessman said the funds were to have been sent through Richard V. Secord, a retired Air Force major general, and Albert

lakim, General Secord's partner.
As has been reported, congres.
No Early SDI Hakim, General Secord's partner. sional investigators have concluded that General Secord and Mr. Hathat General Secord and Mr. Ha-kim were deeply involved in the covert program to supply the con-tras during the period that Con-gress placed strict controls on American assistance. General Secord also handled the sale of AWACS radar planes to the Saudia in 1981, before he retired.

Congressional investigators say they have also obtained evidence that the Saudis provided funds to U.S.-backed resistance groups during this period, although they have not been able to trace what happened to some of the funds.

The disclosure of the 1981 arrangement -- which was confirmed by present and former U.S. officials who were familiar with the AWACS sale — shows for the first time one of the origins of Saudi support for anti-Communist groups and Fahd's personal in-

Mr. Reagan and a small group of his senior advisors, including Mr. volvement in the deal. Shultz and Defense Secretary Ca-The distinction between official spar W. Weinberger, met Tuesday for about an hour to discuss the SDI program amid a push by the and private business often becomes blurred in Saudi Arabia; the royal family's extensive private commer Pentagon and some congre cial activities are frequently used conservatives for early decisions on for sensitive diplomatic missions. according to Saudi experts.

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#### development and deployment of the space-based missile defense plan, also known as "star wars." A White House spokesman said that Mr. Reagan made no decisions at the meeting. Mr. Shultz was peppered with questions on space defenses and at an open session of the Senate Armed Services Committee after the White House meeting. His com-ments were taken by the legislators

By Don Oberdorfer

and R. Jeffrey Smith

Washington Part Service
WASHINGTON — Secretary of

State George P. Shultz said after a

White House meeting on the Stra-

tegic Defense Initiative that condi-

tions were not right for a decision

on deployment. And he expressed

doubt that a decision could be made before the end of the year.

But Mr. Shultz suggested that

President Ronald Reagan might

terpretation" of what is permitted

under the Anti-Ballistic Missile

Treaty of 1972, to clear the way for more advanced testing and devel-

opment of SDL

as important clues to where the ussnes stand. The question of deployment has to be governed by the content of the program and the consistency with the criteria that have been set up by the president," Mr. Shultz

He said that Mr. Reagan was sticking by the criteria first an-nounced in 1985 by Paul H. Nitze, a senior arms control adviser: that any SDI system must be able to survive a nuclear attack and must be "cost-effective at the margin," meaning cheap enough to build that "the other side has no incentive to add additional offensive ca-

pability to overcome the defense." Mr. Weinberger has seemed at times to challenge these criteria. He told reporters Jan. 6 that "when you're protecting a continent and when you're protecting hundreds of millions of people, I find it very difficult to measure the cost-effect tiveness of that kind of system.

"If you can do it," he added, "it's

Mr. Shultz, who has met the last two weekends at the State Department with Lieutenant General James A. Abrahamson, director of the SDI program, testified Tuesday that "they've learned how to do

# **Pros and Cons of Retaliatory Strikes** U.S. Refines Plans for Air Attacks on Terrorist Camps

questioned by experts on terrorism. was felt to be the case in the air By Bernard E. Trainor New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Contingency plans for retaliatory air strikes against terrorist camps in the Mid-

Pentagon sources. The United States has not said it will take military action, and there are no concrete indications that it will do so. But plans for air strikes against camps believed to be used by terrorists in Lebanon, Syria, Libya and Iran exist and are being

revised, the sources said. The aircraft carriers Nimitz and John F. Kennedy, in the Mediterranean Sea, and the Kitty Hawk, en route to the Indian Ocean from the Philippines, are available for such

attacks if ordered. There is no indication that the United States can link the Jan. 24 kidnapping of four teachers at Bei-rnt University College to any coun-George P. Shultz said the group cording to a Pentagon spokesman. that took responsibility for the action had "very close ties" with Iran. been cool to the idea of military

say they take seriously terrorist dle East are being refined as a recal consequences of civilian casual- posed on them and bureaucratic sult of the recent seizore of hosties and the possibility that Ameri- supervision of operational plantages in Beirut, according to cans may be taken prisoner.

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

holding their captives has ruled out hostage-rescue attempts in the past. If the location of hostages were known, a specially trained military unit, known as the Delta Force, could be flowe quickly to the Mediterranean.

Closer to the scene are two Marine amphibious units aboard ship. One is in the eastern Mediterranear. The other has just passed through the Strait of Gibraltar into try, although Socretary of State the western Mediterranean, ac-

Reagan administration officials attack against Libya last year. Military officers say that planthreats to kill the hostages if milining for retaliatory air strikes is tary action is taken. Other factors more difficult than wartime operations because of the restrictions im-

Difficulty in identifying terror-ists and finding out where they are top and everyone has his finger in the pie," an officer said. "This is of real concern to the military, because if things don't go right, we get the black eye."

ning in Washington.

Another officer, familiar with the 1983 air attack against Syrian anti-aircraft guns in Lebanon that had been shooting at American reconnaissance planes, said that excessive control in the chain of command had resulted in poor timing. This, he said, led to the loss of two planes, the death of one pilot and the capture of his bombardier-navi-

gator, who was later freed. In wartime, moreover, the objective of an attack and its associated risks are clearly defined and a great deal of freedom of action is allowed in its execution. In peacetime, mili-

## Pakistan, India Sign **Border Pact**

NEW DELHI - India and Paki-

The agreement was signed after five days of talks here and provided for withdrawal to peacetime positions of troops in some border sectors, Indian Foreign Ministry offi- 125 million kronor on rent support cials said. It was signed by the for pensioners and total welfare Pakistani foreign secretary, Abdul Sattar, and his Indian counterpart, Alfred Gonsalves, who met briefly with Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

was the first step in defusing ten-sion along the 1,800-mile (3,000- "There was no attempt at personal kilometer) border that stretches gain involved." from the deserts of Sind to the snowy mountains of Kashmir.

troops on the border. Pakistan said it was merely holding winter ma- they said. Even if responsibility can be established, the value of retaliation is outweighs the risks involved. This ian and political considerations.

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# Stockholm Burned in Options Market Facing Huge Loss From City Employee's Speculation

By Juris Kaza Special to the Herald Tribune STOCKHOLM - A civic employee trying to do "something good" for Stockholm lost the city stan reached agreement Wednes-day to defuse a dangerous confron-\$50 million) in six weeks of unantation during which their troops thorized trading in the options and have faced off across their mutual futures markets, officials disclosed futures markets, officials disclosed

> The loss, although small compared with Stockholm's total budget of 18 billion kronor, compares with annual expenditures of about payments of 670 million kronor.

"As we understand it, his ambition was to do a good deal for Stockholm," Jan Thunved, execu-Both officials said the agreement tive director of the city's finance

City officials said they hope to recover 110 million kronor of the Late last month India put its total, depending on how markets northern forces on alert and move in coming weeks. The re-charged that Pakistan was massing maining 190 million kronor would be refinanced through new loans.

ployee, a 28-year-old assistant trea- result in severe losses.

surer in the city's finance office, futures and options in Sweden's newly deregulated money markets.

Mr. Thunved said that in December, when Swedish interest rates started climbing, the employee was given explicit instructions to avoid risk and hedge all interestrate exposure. But the employee, who has not been identified, apparently decided to ignore the guidelines in an effort to try to turn a profit for the city from the market's

turmoil, the finance director said. When his initial investments soured because of interest rate developments, the employee then committed more city funds in an escalating attempt to cover his early losses, Mr. Thunved said.

Futures and options, which allow for the purchase or sale of financial instruments at a specified future date and specified price, are often used as insurance against changes in interest rates or currency movements. But because they are highly leveraged investments, allowing investors to control assets several hundred times the amount

Mr. Thunveld said the city will defied departmental investment not file criminal charges against the guidelines by buying and selling employee, although he has been suspended. The case has been referred to Prosecutors Office.

According to reports, the employee's activities came to light only after a dealer for a major Swedish bank called the finance department to enquire about security for the large number of transactions he had been asked to complete. A hastily called audit later incovered the full scope of the

fraud, officials said. The employee in question has been with us for eight or nine years and has steadily advanced in responsibility," Mr. Thunved said. This was a major surprise."

Most embarrassing, he said, "is that on July 1, we are to take over managing the funds of Stockholm's municipally-owned corporations and were undergoing a major review of our accounting and control procedures ahead of that when this

City officials said they did not expect the affair to affect Stockholm —a highly-rated borrower on international capital markets - in its overseas funding activities.

# Waite Reported Seized In Dispute Over Arabs Imprisoned in Kuwait

BEIRUT — Terry Waite, a spe-cial envoy of the Church of England, was seized by kidnappers angered over what they regarded as unfulfilled assurances concerning 17 Arabs held in Kuwait, a Lebanese Moslem militia official said

The official said Mr. Waite was abducted by the same persons who kidnapped the foreigners he sought to free. They said Mr. Waite was abducted because of assurances that he was alleged to have given over the fate of the 17 Arabs, who were imprisoned in Kuwait for po-litical violence. The release of the 17 has long been demanded as a condition for freeing foreign hostages in Lebanon.

The militia official said, "It seems that Waite, in previous meetings, had given the kidnappers assurances from the Kuwait government regarding the 17 prisoners. He did not elaborate on the alleged

"When the hostege-takers discovered the assurances were not accurate," the official said, "they set up the last meeting, using the hostages as bait and saying their morale was low and they needed to

Mr. Waite vanished Jan. 20. eight days after arriving in Beirut on a mission to secure the freedom of two Americans, a Briton and an Irishman. He has not been seen

By John Kifner

New York Times Service

likely to be able to reverse the mili-

tary, political and psychological

latest military offensive, despite

Baghdad's superior air and fire-

power, according to assessments by military and political experts in the

Indeed, Iran does not need to

capture Basra, Iraq's second city, to

make its southern front operation a

success, these experts say, and it

may, in fact, find it more advanta-

The ground gained by the Irani-

an assault on Iraq's elaborate bun-

ker defenses has brought Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's forces within

range to pound Basra with light artillery and rocket launchers,

making life in the city difficult and

rendering it a tremendous burden

to President Saddam Hussein's

For Iraq, the task will be to push

the increasingly dug-in Iranians

By Michael Richardson

C. Aquino of the Philippines an-

nounced Wednesday that she would press ahead with a major

land reform program following her

government's landslide victory in a

She said foreign countries had been asked to provide \$500 million

to support the plan to help tackle

the root causes of rural poverty and

Communist insurgency.

Mrs. Aquino's televised remarks

represented her first declaration of

policy since the new democratic

constitution, which won over-

whelming support in the Monday

Analysts said with the voting

over, the Aquino administration appeared poised to launch a more

intense political-military campaign

to curb the country's armed insur-

gency. The armed forces and some right-of-center members of Mrs.

Aquino's administration have been

urging tougher action.
The president said if Communist

leaders carried out their threat to end peace talks and a 60-day cease-

fire with the government Sunday, she would try to continue negotia

tions with regional representatives

Some officials believe that adop-

tion of a regional approach by the government could lead to splits in

plebiscite.

key constitutional referendum.

International Herald Tribine
MANTLA — President Corazon

government, these sources note.

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geous not to do so.

age Iran has wrought in its

KUWAIT - Iraq appears un-

The militia official said last week that Mr. Waite had been kidnapped, after leaving his Druze Moslem bodyguards behind, at a secret night rendezvous near a Shiite Moslem doctor's clinic in West

Two of the American hostages whose release Mr. Waite has been negotiating - Terry A. Anderson, a journalist, and Thomas M. Suthrland, a dean at the American University of Beirut - are among the hostages said to be held by the Islamic Jihad organization.

The group has consistently demanded the release of the 17 Arabs imprisoned in Kuwait, who are being held for bomb attacks there in

The Kuwaiti authorities have repeatedly rejected any connection between the imprisoned Arabs and the hostages in Lebanon, and they have ruled out any deal involving

On Saturday, Kuwait announced it had arrested 11 persons suspected of sabotage 12 days earlier and

The announcement of those arrests came two days after the end of by Kuwait and preceded by threats reprisals from pro-Iranian oups in Beirut if the meeting went ahead

A statement issued in the name Islamic Jihad on Jan. 16 and accompanied by a photograph of Mr. Anderson warned Kuwait of "ounishment in various ways."

them with bayonets and grenading them." The Iraqis have shown little

taste for such close-in fighting in

the course of the war, now in its

This view contrasts with predic-

tions from U.S. officials in Wash-

ington that Iraq's heavy weapons and air superiority would turn the tide against the Iranian attack, which began early last month.

The analysis by experts in the

luding the contrasting styles and

region was based on several factors,

tactics of the two armies, the ter-

rain and the military-political ob-

Army, invading a chaotic, postre-

volutionary Iran, made nearly all

its gains in the first week of the war,

was pushed back to its own soil in

the spring of 1982, and has been on

the defensive ever since. The generally lightly armed Iranians, many

of them young, irregular volun-teers, accept death as religious mar-

tyrdom, making them a formidable

e. which, one veteran of of year, has been to the Iranians' istering the city

could only be done by "sticking movements and the effect of the house-to-house fighting.

The terrain, marshy at this time

launch an all-out offensive against giance

Communist rebels who ignored the

Teodoro Benigno, the presi-

and rehabilitation program would

be formally launched Feb. 25 to

the southern Philippines - to lay

ing, employment, land and finan-cial assistance to returnees.

He said it would provide train-

was proclaimed, all members of the week.

armed forces would be asked to

result of an abortive military rebel-

ney businessman recently stunned

his colleagues by suggesting that

Australia quadruple its population

lion last week. Those who refused

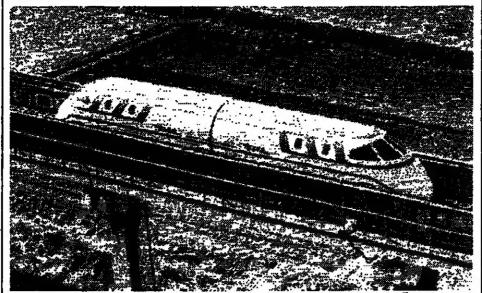
down their arms.

government peace initiatives.

The heavily mechanized Iraqi

iectives of both sides.

Iran Offensive Called Serious Blow to Iraq



TRAIN SPEED RECORD - A Japanese experimental train, which floats above the track on a magnetic cushion, set a speed record Wednesday, attaining 249 mph (about 400 kph). The previous record of 221 mph was set by a West German train in 1985.

# **Botha Rejects Idea of a Black House**

CAPE TOWN - President Pieter W. Botha has called the idea of a black chamber of Parliament absurd."

Parliament is at present dominated by the white chamber with junior houses for the mixed-race, or colored population, and for Indians. Blacks, who make up 73 percent of the population, have no

Referring to black tribal and language differences, Mr. Botha said Tuesday night: "If we want to cre-ate such a chamber, then we have to date six or seven nations in it and that is absurd."

long-range barrages of artillery that are Baghdad's main tactic.

"Artillery plays a humongous

part in the Iraqi order of battle, but

in a marshy area and palm groves, its effect is limited," said one mili-

tary expert. "In that kind of marshy

ground, you can pump artillery in, but the shells will sink in the mud

and the force just goes straight up."

Another point, this expert noted,

when the attacking Iranians, once

having taken an Iraqi position, be-come defenders of what are usually

strongly built fortifications. The

usual military rule of thumb is that

an attacking force should have a

three-to-one manpower advantage

over defenders, a burden that has

"The Iranians dig in very quick-ly," a military analyst said. "Every

day, every hour you let them stay there, their defenses get stronger."

But several experts noted that

while there were strong advantages

to Iran in keeping Basra under at-

problems in defending and admin-

With Election Won, Aquino Seeks to Push Reforms

zation, the National Democratic a "very, very minimal" number of

Defense Minister Rafael M. Beto majority of the 160,000 officers and

said earlier that his troops would men would swear an oath of alle-

dent's spokesman, said at a press the left or right to solve problems conference that a reconciliation by violence.

persuade people involved in the Wednesday, the latest unofficial

country's two main insurgencies — count covering nearly 75 percent of the nationwide Communist move-polling centers showed a 77.46 per-

Mr. Benigno said Mr. Heto had in the armed forces, including

told a cabinet meeting earlier in the younger officers and enlisted men,

day that when the new constitution following the coup attempt last

swear an oath of allegiance to it as a the hand of reconciliation to her

ment and a Moslem insurrection in cent vote for the constitution.

the Communist Party, its guerrilla But Mr. Benigno said Mr. Ileto November amid rumors that he army and their main mass organi- was convinced that there would be was involved in plotting a military

refusals and that the overwhelming

Mrs. Aquino said the election

result showed that the Filipino peo-

ple totally rejected attempts from

As the commission on elections

Mrs. Aquino said the plebiscite

proved her government's "unques-

She said she was ready to "reach

She also said she was extending

political opponents, including the

former defense minister, Juan Pon-

out" and talk directly to her critics

tionable legitimacy."

began its official vote tabulation

now been shifted to the Iraois.

the shift in tactical advantage

Mr. Botha, who has called a Wednesday that the state of emer-whites-only election for May 6, gency, imposed in June, would remade his brief statement to repudiate suggestions from extreme right-ists that the ruling National Party to lift it but it cannot be in a week was steering South Africa toward a or a month." he said. proportional representation voting

Despite a rebellion by party moderates who want a swift end to apartheid, Mr. Botha indicated that the government was at present prepared to offer blacks no more than a place in consultative bodies. At the same time, the deputy der Merwe, said on the radio

but it's more important politically

and psychologically than militari-

"You can create havoc in the

city," he added. "You don't have to

own Basra to make it uninhabit-

able. If you can effectively control

Basra by fire from outside, if you

have made it a nonviable entity,

you have accomplished part of

Hans-Heinz Kopietz, an expert

on the war at the Institute for Stra-

tegic Studies in London, noted: "If

He expects a new Iranian offen-

Another military expert said: The Iraqis have niways been terri-

bly worried about the so-called fi-

nal offensive. But what if this isn't

the big offensive? What if they are

somewhere else? Where is the regu-

ly," said one expert.

your objective."

almost empty city.

sive by March.

ere they to take it lar Iranian Army? These are the

offer." she said.

of her cabinet was imminent be-

cause many members would have

to resign by early March to register as candidates for congressional

elections in May.
The president, who is command-

er-in-chief of the armed forces,

played down a report from Mr.

lleto that 60 percent of military

personnel had woted for the consti-

lution and 40 percent against - a

yes vote much lower than the na-

tional average.

She said "in any language," 60 percent in favor was a landslide.

Ferdinand E. Marcos, the former

Philippine president, spent several hours undergoing a medical exami-nation at a U.S. Army hospital in

connection with a delayed court

appearance, a Justice Department

■ Marcos Has Medical

tack, the Iranians would face huge sucking the reserves in and strike

main at least for the initial stages of Meanwhile, a South African film

distributor, pressed by American companies to open its theaters to all races, said Wednesday it was closing four whites-only cinemas in

The Cinema International Corp. said the theaters would close after Thursday night's performance until Pretoria's city council voted to make them multiracial. The council has not yet discussed the issue.

The Ster-Kinekor circuit, South Africa's largest, said it would reopen two movie houses in Krugersdorp near Johannesburg Wednesday, after resistance to desegregation crumbled. Krusersdorp council voted 7-1 Tuesday to allow blacks into the cinemas, but only after four councillors walked out of the meeting.

Ster-Kinekor, also under pressure from U.S. distributors, had closed the whites-only cinemas at

#### U.S. Wants Dialogue

Washington plans more talks with the African National Congress in the hope of promoting neyou occupy the city you have to feed them, supply hospital care, provide electricity. But if you can gotiations between South Africa's opposing groups, the U.S. chief spokesman on Africa, Chester A. intimidate the city, you have an rocker, said, according to United Press international.

Speaking by telephone from Washington with reporters in Harare, Zimbabwe, on Tuesday, Mr. Crocker, the assistant secretary of state for African affairs, said there would be "continuing dialogue" between the United States and the outlawed ANC.

But he added that the United combat in similar terrain noted, advantage. It has limited Iraqi tank in what would likely be bloody terrible questions they should be States maintained its objection "in

Mr. Marcos has been subpoe-

aid to the Philippines during his

pneumonia in cold weather. Last

month, his lawyers were able to win

Gorbachev Meets With

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The Associated Press

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# Grass Roots Said to Force Shift at Top In Vietnam

By Barbara Crossette New York Times Service BANGKOK - Pressure from ass-roots party organizations forced the sweeping changes in the Vietnamese Communist Party

His impressions were supported by a group of American scholars who traveled extensively in Vietnam for two weeks in January.

leadership in December, according

to a Western diplomat based in

The Americans, taking part in a tour sponsored by the private United States-Indochina Reconciliation Project, heard frequent demands for economic reform and experienced firsthand the bitterness apparently felt by people in the prov-inces over Soviet influence in

Village children, shouting "Russian! Russian!" in Vietnamese, stoned the Americans on several occasions, according to a member of the group, Mary Byrne McDon-nell. Indochina program associate of the Social Science Research Council, an organization based in

New York The attacks stopped, she said, when group members identified emselves as Americans.

Vietnam is facing a severe eco-nomic crisis, according to reports by its own government-controlled

The Hanoi-based diplomat, who asked not be to identified, said Monday that projections by international organizations indicate that on an average day, about 60 nation where malnutrition is wide-

Vietnam, which has been unable to produce or import birth-control supplies, faces the prospect that its population, now 60 million, will rise to 100 million by the end of the century, the diplomat said. Without improved agricultural technology, he said, Vietnam will not be able to feed itself.

He said that Soviet aid, now \$1 billion to \$2 billion a year and mostly in large energy projects, was not addressing Vietnam's most urgent daily needs.

At the same time, Vietnam is expected to provide tropical produce to cold-weather areas of the Soviet Union. A Vietnamese-language broadcast from Moscow on Jan. 15, monitored and translated by the British Broadcasting Corp., described the production of green vegetables for the Soviet Far East 'central" to Vietnam's agricultural research program.

The diplomat and other foreigners living in Vietnam said a struggle within the leadership over how to respond to an outpouring of public criticism last fall was still going or two days before the Vietnamese Communist Party congress opened on Dec. 14

On the third day of the congress, it was announced that three top Communist leaders were retining from the party Politburo. These were Pham Van Dong, who is also the country's prime minister; Truong Chinh, the party general secretary and president of Viet-nam, and Le Duc Tho, the powerful political figure who was Hanoi's negotiator in the Paris peace talks that led to the withdrawal of U.S.

forces from Vietnam in 1973. Nguyen Van Linh, a party official with long experience in south-ern Victnam and a man thought to be a supporter of economic change

and liberalization, was named to replace Mr. Chinh as party leader. Several diplomats based in Ha-noi have said the United States, and the West in general, should be finding ways to assist Vietnam at a time when Western expertise could offer an alternative to complete re-

chev, the Soviet leader, met liance on the Soviet Union. Wednesday with Henry A. Kissin-The United States, which does ger, a former U.S. secretary of not have diplomatic relations with state, and 10 other members of a Hanoi, has said it will not improve delegation from the U.S.-based ties until the issue of 2,426 Ameri-Council on Foreign Relations.

The Americans, who include in Indochina is resolved. In addition, Washington insists that Vietdelegate to the United Nations, are nam withdraw its 140,000 troops in Moscow for talks with Mr. Gorfrom Cambodia, a demand made bachev and other top Soviet offi-cials. also by other major would-be do-nor nations, including China.

# WORLD BRIEFS

#### Commons Approves Channel Tunnel

LONDON (Reuters) — The House of Commons gave final approval Wednesday for construction of a tunnel under the English Channel to link Britain with France, but financial analysts said the organizers of the Common State of project still faced the difficult task of convincing British investors to back

The lower house of Parliament adopted, on a 94-22 vote, a bill allowing construction of the 30-mile (48-kilometer) twin-bore rail tunnel. To become law, the bill must also be approved by the House of Lords, which

has the power to delay but not to overturn the legislation.

Financial analysts said Wednesday that the £4.7 billion (\$7.1 billion) tunnel project was still viewed with deep skepticism by the British financial establishment. The British-French Eurotunnel consortium hopes to raise £750 million from private investors by next July, after which it will seek a quote on the London and Paris stock exchanges. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall. The consortium's first share bacription was fully met in France last October, but fell short in

U.K. Warns of Hong Kong Job Losses HONG KONG (UPI) - Officials have warned more than 4500 people that their jobs will be threatened when Britain withdraws its military garrison before returning Hong Kong to China in 1997, the government radio reported Wednesday. It said the affected employees ad been notified by letter.

The radio said a special working group had been set up to examine possible alternate employment for the people but that no assurances could be given and some jobs were bound to be lost. Britain has already begun discussions with China on a phased withdrawal of the garrison. begun discussions with China on a phased withdrawal of the garrison, which must be completed before Britain's 99-lease on Hong Kong expires in 1997.

Once the forces are withdrawn, there will be no further need for some 3,000 civilians employed on British civil service terms as clerks and in technical jobs, or for 1,600 locally enlisted personnel who work as contract staff on Royal Navy patrol craft and as and medical assistants. drivers and dock handlers in the army, the radio said.

#### Rights Plan Is Presented in Vienna

VIENNA (UPI) - Western members of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe have unveiled a major three-step plan to monitor human rights abuses.

The goal of the plan is to ensure compliance with the human rights provisions of the 1975 Helsinki Final Act after the end of the Vienna security conference this summer.

The first phase of the plan calls for the creation of new means for human rights abuses to be aired by governments and interested groups, and the second calls for a meeting of the Helsinki signatories to assess how the new system functions and determine if there has been progress Vietnamese die of starvation in a on human rights. The final stage would be a conference to decide on measures to improve the performance of nations in the field of human rights and human contacts, such as family reunions.

#### **Kenya Sentences Pair for Sedition**

NAIROBI (AP) - Two businessmen, one of them a local official of Kenya's ruling party, have been sentenced to four-year jail terms for joining a clandestine anti-government movement.

The sentences, imposed Tuesday by a Nairobi magistrate, were part of

a government drive that began nearly a year ago against the Mwakenya movement, Dozens of people have been convicted or detained for alleged links with the group.

Those sentenced Tuesday were Kimunya Kamana, organizing secretary for the Kenya African National Union in Nakuru district, and Mwangi Kagia, another Nakuru businessman. The men, who are both 59, admitted taking an oath to join Mwakenya.

# Libel Award Against Izvestia Voided LOS ANGELES (UPI) — In a case that found Washington and

Moscow on the same side, a judge has thrown a \$456,000 libel judgment that an American businessman won from the Soviet government newspa-per Izvestia. The judge also ordered the release of funds seized to pay the award, his clerk sa

Judge David V. Kenyon of U.S. District Court granted on Tuesday : request by Soviet authorities and the U.S. Justice Department to vacate the default judgment that he had awarded to a medical equipment exporter, Raphael Gregorian, of Palo Alto, California. Mr. Gregorian sued Izvestia in 1985 after he and his California International Trade Corp. were expelled from the Soviet Union following publication of an

The judgment was issued in July 1986, after the Soviets had ignored Mr. Gregorian's lawsuit for 18 months. On Tuesday, Judge Kenyon also lifted a seizure order that had kept \$456,000 belonging to the Bank for Foreign Trade of the U.S.S.R. frozen in accounts in New York Banks.

#### Swedish Cabinet Meets on Palme Case

STOCKHOLM - Swedish ministers were called to an emergency cahinet meeting on short notice Wednesday to consider a plan for reorganizing the investigation into the murder of Prime Minister Olof Palme nearly a year ago.

Officials said Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson and Justice Minister

Sten Wickborn would address a news conference immediately after the meeting, raising expectations that a major shake-up in the investigation eam would be announced.

There has been growing speculation that the cabinet would put the director of public prosecutions, Magnus Sjoberg, in charge of the case, making way for the removal of Stockholm's controversial police chief,

#### For the Record

Zaire's Embassy in Paris has denied a report by The New York Times (IHT, Feb. 2) that an abandoned Zairean air base had been used by the CIA to supply rebels in neighboring Angola. (AFP)
President Ibrahim Bahangida of Nigeria arrived in Paris on Wednesday

and was rushed to a hospital with an undisclosed illness, officials at Le Bourget airport said. Voters in Palm Beach, Florida, re-elected Yvelyne de Marcellus Marix,

61, as mayor on Tuesday. She traces her lineage to the emperor Charlemagne and King Louis IX of France. Her opponent was Paul Romanoff Ilyinsky, 59, a nephew of the last of the Russian czars. Nicholas IL (AP) At least 17 Polish coal miners were killed and 20 seriously injured Wednesday in a methane gas explosion at a pit near Katowice in southern

Poland, a Mining Ministry spokesman said. (Reuters)
The U.S. deputy secretary of state, John C. Whitehead, the highest
State Department official to visit Bulgaria, began talks in Solia on
Wednesday that marked an improvement in relations between the two

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\$5 MILLION FOR WOODY ALLEN, OR

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# Australians Debate Call to Entice Asian Immigrants

or Enrile, who she dismissed last spokesman said. The Associated

#### Egypt Orders Referendum The Associated Press

CAIRO - President Hosni Mubarak issued a decree Wednesday calling for a national referendum Feb. 12 on whether or not to dissolve the legislature.

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service SYDNEY - A well-known Syd-

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sitive political issues.

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this enormous island," he said. In a country almost the size of the United States but with a popu-

With two-thirds of its population made largely for Vietnamese refuconcentrated in six coastal cities. Australia has long been aware of its large and empty center. The refrain "populate or perish" is a staple of

Recently the debate has taken on a new and, many say, more rational



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vive with just 16 million people on trayed as a land grab by crowded

Asian countries to the north. During the 1970s and early 1980s, in recognition of unemploylation only about as great as Texas, ment at home, immigration was cut immigration is one of the most sen- to a trickle, allowed only on humanitarian grounds, an exception

> Although there has been little improvement in the unemployment picture, Immigration Minister Chris Hurford is advocating a rise in immigration as a way of beefing up the skilled labor force.

Last year, 95,000 immigrants landed on Australian shores, most of them from England and Ireland, with Vietnam in third place. This evident The work ethic, business- Returned Services League, the loyear, Australia expects 115,000 men say, has never been strong in new arrivals, the largest number since the heyday of European im-diligent workers often are ridiculed migration in the 1950s and 1960s. as

popularly viewed as a defense result in a population of only 19.2 against what national leaders por-million by 2001, according to immigration officials. Mr. Hurford has bought the ar-

gument of the business community that more immigration, although not on the scale envisioned by Mr. Packer, would mean an increased demand for domestic goods, greater productivity and lower prices. This thesis has been rendered

more palatable by a report from the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, which found that immigrants, by opening new businesses, increased the job prospects of unemployed Australians. To the business community, the

need for more skilled workers is

lancy firm. well paid," he said. "And it's not

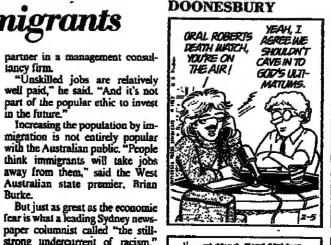
in the future. Increasing the population by immigration is not entirely popular with the Australian public. "People think immigrants will take jobs away from them," said the West Australian state premier, Brian

fear is what a leading Sydney news-paper columnist called "the stillstrong undercurrent of racism." The "white Australia" policy that prevented Asians and blacks from settling in the country was abandoned in 1973, but the sentiment

The president of the Victorian cal equivalent of the Veterans of the Australian character; indeed. Foreign Wars, called Archbishop "conchies," a diminutive for a "witch doctor" when the Angli-These immigrants will include "conscientious." Compounding the can leader visited last month, and entrepreneurs and businessmen problem, they add, are the high enterpreneurs and businessmen problem, they add, are the high added that black and Asian immifrom Hong Kong, who now are wages paid to unskilled workers.

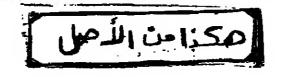
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By Lawrence K. Altman New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - U.S. health officials have reported that they were considering recommending much wider blood testing for infection by the AIDS virus, including tests for all applicants for marriage licenses and for everyone who is hospitalized or who is treated for pregnancy or sexually transmitted diseases.

The test is now required only of blood donors, military recruits and among people in the military.

The proposal for wider testing. reported Tuesday, is prompted by the continuing spread of AIDS and the threat it poses to unborn children, according to Dr. Walter Dowdle, AIDS director for the na-tional Center for Disease Control

AIDS has already struck at least 30,000 Americans, more than half of whom have died. It is projected that it will cause more than 50,000 deaths a year in the United States by 1991. It is caused by a virus that that attacks the victim's immunity system and can can remain in the body for years before the disease

develops.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome cripples the body's im-mune system, leaving the victim susceptible to infections and cancers. It is caused by a virus that spreads through sexual intercourse or exchanges of blood, as in shared hypodermic needles. In the United States, most of the victims of the disease have been homosexual men or intravenous drug users, and their sexual partners.

Four percent of the cases have been attributed to viruses apread brough beterosexual intercourse. Dr. Dowdle said that the officials were considering the recom-mendation as a way of stimulating wide debate on measures health of-ficials might take to control the disease. It is expected to be put forward at a public forum the agency will hold Feb. 24 and 25 in

The proposal has already generated controversy from those who believe it could violate personal rights and frighten people who might be infected away from medi-

cal facilities. Dr. Dowdle said, "The time is ripe to discuss these ideas in an open forum and to make certain we do not overlook any possible way

to carb the epidemic. The Center for Disease Control would submit any recommendations made at the meeting to the state and territorial health officers for their consideration. Recommendations would not be binding tence could include placement in on hospitals or state agencies, Dr. state youth facilities until he is 21. mendations would not be binding

Dowdle said. "This is a coosensus-building and multistep process," Dr. Dow-dle said. "It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said. "It is not our intention to the said." It is not our intention to the said.

chair in a two-day trial in juvenile court in Fort Worth. A jury trial, which is not usually held in juvenile court in Fort Worth. A jury trial, which is not usually held in juvenile cases, was conducted in open court at the request of the boy's attorney. It was a jarring scene, but similar ones are occurring with increasing frequency, according to juvenile experts around the United States. They say younger children are becoming involved more often in serious criminal activity usually associated with older wouths or adults.

ease compared with decades past.

In the past, the U.S. government has encouraged AIDS tests for people considered at high risk, such as imale homosexuals and intravenous in the past of the crime involved through conventional judicial decades.

drug users.
More systematic, widespread screening would be a major change that would pose extraordinary challenges to doctors, hospital workers and health officials working to protect confidentiality of that cases that seemed like bizarre those infected with the virus, Dr. anomalies a few years ago are now Dowdle and others said. Some people infected with the virus have lost

jobs and health insurance, even if they showed no signs of illness. The test detects antibodies to the The test detects antibodies to the AIDS virus. Antibodies are substances the body produces to defend against invading micro-organisms. People can be infected with the AIDS virus and not become ill for many years. Though healthy in this period, carriers are presumed able to transmit the virus to others. Children would be the intended beneficiaries of premacital and prenatal testing to detect the AIDS virus. Dr. Dowdle said.

It would be up to prospective parents, he said, to decide whether to bear children and, if a pregnant to bear children and with the ATTOS woman was infected with the AIDS virus, whether to have an abortion. The Center for Disease Control

is not proposing that people who show signs of infection be denied marriage licenses, Dr. Dowdle said. He said knowledge of infection "would provide an opportunity for counseling and for protecting the noninfected potential partner as

well as future children." He said AIDS testing upon admission to hospitals might vary among hospitals and according to reported incidence of the disease by geography.

# Dog on Artificial Heart Dies

sity of Pennsylvania researchers said Tuesday.

# Displaced Farm Families Share Sense of Injustice, Longing for Lost Life

By Andrew H. Malcolm New York Times Service

CHICAGO - Around the clock through the year, 180 times a day now, another American farm disappears, another victim of consolidation, changing economics, poor management, bad luck, high interest rates, low crop prices, emotion-al and financial despair, or some of

"There's a silent atrophy creeping across the heartland," says Joan Blundall, a mental health counselor in rural Iowa. "And I don't think anyone knows yet where we are

What happens to these close-knit families who are forced off their land, forced to move for perhaps the first time? Where do they go? What do they do? How well do they cope? And what is the emotional and financial price for them, and

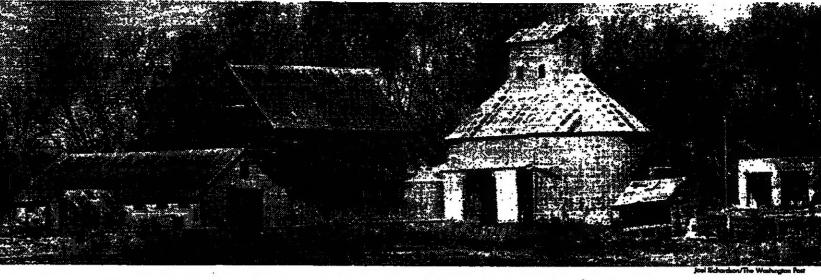
The latest forced migration is so new that local governments and counselors are too busy to step back and study patterns. "The past for many is dead." Ms. Blundall "but the future is not yet

Still, some indications emerged in detailed conversations with former farm families across the agricultural Middle West in recent months. One younger farmer found new work and loves it. A second successfully sells door-to-door near his home town. Another lost his farm, his new job and, now, his

Though their experiences, reactions and stage of healing range widely, the three are alike in two things: a shared sense of injustice amid changing economic and social values, and a wistful view of their lost previous lives, a sadness reflected in the tears they and their wives sometimes still shed.

#### 'I Made Some Mistakes, But I Wasn't a Faihere'

Two years ago Dean Hagedorn walked into a local bank in Spencer, Iowa, with a \$94,000 check, the proceeds of that year's entire corn has more disposable income than sleepless nights and worned days, crop. He planned to use three-quarters of it to keep his loan payments in the fields with the promising lences.



"There's a silent atrophy creeping across the heartland, and I don't think anyone knows yet where we are headed."

---Joan Blundall, a mental health counselor in rural lowa

else can I do? And he said to me, Maybe you better think about doing something else with your life."
Mr. Hagedorn learned an impor-

tant lesson that day: "A farmer is an eternal optimist," he says, "and that's not good anymore." Today, Mr. Hagedorn is a door-to-door salesman, selling travel club memberships and insurance plans to anyone who will see him.
"I'm working 70 hours a week,"
says the 42-year-old father. "The only difference with farming is now

I get paid for those 70 hours."
In fact, there are many other differences in his life, some good, some bad. He still has \$25,000 in debts, but his three children are adjusting well to the move from a dorn family farm: rising costs and rural high school with 75 students declining crop prices, unfavorable

income; and the family certainly

up to date and to parcel the rest out to other creditors. However, the bank kept the entire check. smell of soil in the spring. He and his wife, Kaye, are working on re-pairing the isolation and mistrust "I said, 'My God, Larry, you've that strained their marriage. And taken the whole crop'," Mr. Hagedorn recalls softly now. "What quered his drinking problem. "Some days," he says, "I feel like

I'm 112. And then I get to having fun in my new life and I feel like I'm 22." Mr. Hagedorn's story is familiar

in this region: a family tradition of farming, children reared to do their share of chores without being told, a solitary workday atop a growling tractor, a family that are support together every night, starting with grace, a life that revolved around the land and the seasons.

"I loved seeing things grow," Mr. Hagedorn says, "being my own boss and working together as a family."

But a familiar combination of circumstances struck the Mr. Hagedeclining crop prices, unfavorable to one with 800, in town.

Mr. Hagedorn is pleased with his income; and the family certainly that created overdue balances,

There was a painful back injury when a steer crushed Mr. Hage-dorn against a wall. The local bank was sold to a larger one elsewhere and the familiar loan officers were replaced by younger people with sharper pencils.

Mr. Hagedorn took several partime jobs to provide income. But his employers were also strapped by the spreading farm depression. He was laid off. "I started drinking too much," he admits. "It was degrading to go broke on a family farm. My kids' friends were mock-

Kaye Hagedorn steered her husband to a counselor who told the farmer something shocking: He wasn't alone; countiess other farmers were in trouble too. "And I learned," he says, "that I may have made some mistakes, but I wasn't a

Last September, the farm in bankruptcy, the Hagedorns moved off the land into a rented house in town. Mr. Hagedorn had found an understanding boss, passed the re-quired insurance tests and set out to build a client list, door to door,

#### getting out of farming before the value of their property in Sibley, lows, fell further. Then came the sale, which was

TII Get a Job.

Hope It's Soon'

looking, the 56-year-old Mr. Pe-trick found a job bagging powdered milk at a local creamery. But last October he and several co-workers, all ex-farmers, were laid off.

While working at the creamery, Mr. Petrick had a hernia operation. After being laid off, he learned he

The Petricks have existed on a combination of food stamps, parttime jobs and help from church friends, anonymous contributions and their children, who are grown and working elsewhere. Occasionally a local nurkey farmer hires Mr.

Petrick to help. His wife does cleaning and sometimes inserts the

Last year, working six days a local newspaper's special sections.
week, Mr. Hagedom says he earned And the couple had a good garden

\$33,000 in commissions. This year last year.

less year.

"It's been a good life," Nancy

"I really liked farming." Mr.

Petrick says, "We're thankful we Hagedorn adds, puffing on his sixth cigarette and drinking his sixth cup of coffee. "But now I'm in were able to raise our boys on the farm. We had some real good times, teaching the calves how to drink. Remember?"

"Oh," said her husband, "It's been a great life. You plant the soybeans and in three or four days you go out and see thousands of little shoots pecking through the "Well," says Gene Petrick, who ground and you say, 'You know, I remains memployed and some-what puzzled by his predicament, got that new life started.' It sure makes your faith stronger. You're

"it's been quite a two years, I'll say working the ground God gave us." After the sale, Gene Petrick says, First, he said matter-of-factly, the bank where his family had done he tried not to go into town, he was so embarrassed. Then he had to get business for 45 years strongly sug-gested that Mr. Petrick consider away from the house where he has lived since the third grade; the sight of other tractors in his fields was too painful.

He has vowed to find another iob. He has applications in at every emotional. After three months' business in the area. So now be stops by each regularly to affirm his eagerness to work, time after time. "You see, you gotta keep at 'em," he says.
"Sometimes," he adds, "I won-

der what I did wrong." Nancy Petrick adds quickly,

"We have to be patient." "Yes," Mr. Petrick agrees, "I'm sure I'll get a job somewhere. Hope

'An Adjustment Period Like When Someone Dies'

"When I was interviewed for this

know, it's been so long since I only had to work 10 hours a day."

Mr. Pisarik is 33. He is one displaced farmer who moved into a small city. Washington, Iowa. found work as a police officer and enjoys it greatly.

"After we got sold out nearly two years ago," Mr. Pisarik said, "I looked around for work for months. You'd hear about a minimum wage job at a convenience store. You'd go and there'd be 50 guys applying, some of them with college degrees."

Mr. Pisarik and his family have had some difficulty adjusting to city life and shift work. They have also had some satisfactions.

Mr. Pisarik would not declare bankruptcy after their bankrupt farm just outside Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was auctioned. "I have a good reputation," he said, "And I'll pay everyone back eventually."

A year ago he took the tests to become a firefighter. One question asked if he thought hard work paid off. Having just lost everything despite all his work, he said no. Another asked if he had ever sought professional counseling. "I wrote yes," he says, "I thought that was a sign of strength to recognize and accept you need help." accept you need help."

Mr. Pisarik did not get the job. But the chief of police here heard about him. He was looking for a juvenile officer. Mr. Pisarik, who for years had taken troubled children into his bome temporarily, was hired for \$14,000 a year. His wife. Janie, also works part-time nights at a nursing home. That money goes toward old (arming

"I can see where a lot of city busbands and wives drift apart," Officer Pisarik says. "We've each got our own work, our own schedule and demands. It's not just the farm anymore."

"After farming," he said, "You o through an adjustment period like when someone close dies. There's a time of disbelief. There's a time of anger. There's a time of mourning. And there's a time of adjustment. It's a real spirit-breaking time."

one family member could not make the adjustment: Jake, the border collie. "Every morning." said Mr. Fisarik, "I'd say, 'Jake, go get the cowa.' And by the time I'd fmish breakfast, he had them all up by the gate. It broke his beart when the cattle were sold. And it broke his heart when I moved him to town. We had to sell him. One night he chewed through the front job," John Pisarik says, "the chief door to get back outside. I know asked me if I could handle a 10-how he felt."

# Serious Crime by Youths Reported Rising in U.S.

By Peter Applebome
New York Times Service

FORT WORTH, Texas - After the judge read the jury's verdict last week, the defendant looked up to

week, the detendant looked up to his attorney for an explanation, and was told softly, "We lost." With that, the 10-year-old boy in the blue and gray athletic jacket buried his head in his hands and began to cry. He had been found guilty of delinquent conduct in the tablishes and began to 5 101 guilty of delinquent conduct in the stabbing and beating of a 101-yearold woman in December. His sen-

The woman, a neighbor, had

But interviews with juvenile justice officials around the country indicate that the age at which youngsters are committing serious crimes is declining steadily, and

becoming more common. According to crime figures com-piled by the Federal Burean of In-vestigation, based on reports from

profit research organization in Pittsburgh, said that from 1978 to virus, Dr. Dowdle said.

"There is a 30 percent to 50 percent chance of a mother who tests positive for the AIDS virus passing juvenile crime were the youngest the infection on to the child," he age groups. The rate of referrals to inversely courts rose 38 percent for said, "and most children who test positive for AIDS at birth have some manifestation of the disease within a few years."

Let a be reached to the disease in the late of reaching to juvenile courts rose 38 percent for 12-year-olds, 37 percent for 13-year-olds and 15 percent for 10-year-olds and 15 percent for 10-year-

Explanations range from in-creasing drug and gang activities in elementary schools, including criminal activity involving a highly potent form of cocaine, called crack, to the high level of violence in the society as a whole and to increasing stress on families, par-

Daniel P. Dawson, chief of the invenile division for the minth ciront state attorney's office in Orlando, Florida, said, "Not only is the age dropping at which kids are getting involved in crime, but violent crimes are being committed by younger and younger kids."

"Four or five years ago, even two or three years ago," Mr. Dawson Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — A dog has died after surviving 11 weeks with an artificial heart chamber created from its own back muscle, University of Pennsylvania researches

Among recent cases was the one a 10-year-old baby sitter in Califor-

nia who strangled a child she was taking care of. In the borough of Queens in New York City, a 12-year-old faced 27 charges, including first-degree rape, robbery, aggravated assemblt and grand larceny, in a stries of crimes committed with another 12-year-old and an adult.

In 1986, 25.3 percent were black. In 1986, 25.3 percent were Hispanic and 39 percent were black. Ron W. Hayes, deputy director of prevention and community corrections for the California Department of the Youth Authority, said

as paint or glue. Officials say that lent behavior," he said.

although the national incidence of Officials say the implications of

children is increasing dramatically. are extremely troubling.

ment of the Youth Authority, said Of particular worry nationwide that there are about 500 gangs and is the increasing drug use in ele-mentary schools, particularly the state. You put drugs and gang use of crack and of such inhalants behavior together and you get vio-

drug use is decreasing, its use by a lowering of juvenile crime ages

"Drug use used to be a decision of adolescence," said Hunter criminal activity years to be from Hurst, director of the National Center for Juvenile Justice. "Now Dawson, the state attorney's offi-

system has been trying for years to cope with the steady drop in the age

of criminal activity, officials say the nation is slowly changing the way it looks at juvenile offenders. In New York, for example, the ju-venile offender law of 1978 made it possible for 14- and 15-year-olds charged with serious felonies and 13-year-olds charged with murder to be tried in adult courts.

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Center for Juvenile Justice. "Now it's a fourth-grade decision."

James A. Payne, chief of Family Court for New York City's Law Department, said drug use was part of the reason for a marked increase in violent activity by younger juveniles in recent years. Drugs accounted for 4.2 percent of all juvenile arrests in 1985 and 6.8 percent last year, he said.

"We've had almost a 50 percent increase in drug crime," Mr. Payne said. "Crack is the main reason. We are seeing kids as young as 10 or 11. They cam make \$800 a week. They only stay in school because that's where their constituency is."

In other areas of the country gangs are blamed for a major immates of the facilities operated by the California State Youth Author
15 of 17 to 22 or 25, Said Mr. Dawson, the state attorney's official in Orlando. "Now we're seeing it in Orlando. "Now we're seeing it in that age group but because there's more caime in that age group but because there's more caime in colving young kids. If you expand that bell curve in which you see the most crime down to 13 or 14, the most crime and that bell curve in which you see the most crime to the decision.

With 57 of 69 precincts reporting in unofficial returns Thesday, Ms. Molina had 5,504 votes, or 57 percent of the 9,521 ballots cast in the four-way race. Larry González, a member of the city Board of Eduando, was second with 2,473 when NOW YOU CAN MAKE RESERVATIONS INTER CONTINENTAL IN THE WORLD!

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# More Student Protests in Spain SAUDI:

MADRID — Protesting stu-dents snarled traffic in Madrid, disrupted trading on the Barcelona Maravall Herrero called their destock exchange and held up a bicy-mands for social benefits and free cle race in southern Spain on access to university unrealistic.

Wednesday, hours after 45 persons He met Wednesday with reprewere injured in clashes with the sentatives of six regional governments that have local jurisdiction

As talks to end two months of unrest in high schools resumed at the Education Ministry amid threats of fresh protests, groups of teen-agers tied up traffic on Madrid's main Castellana Avenue and western highway, the police said.

About 500 demonstrators forced their way into the Barcelona stock exchange, halting trading for sever-

In Madrid, a government spokesman said that 32 policemen

through a-police cordon outside the tion reforms proposed by the con-Cortes, or parliament.

Education Minister José María International reported

over education, and they agreed to increase spending.

The main student unions have rejected as inadequate Mr. Maravall's offer to add \$155 million to

schools and scholarships. The Students' Coordinator called a march on Prime Minister Felipé Gonzalez's office for Friday. al minutes. Others stopped some of The Students' Union, which claims the world's top cyclists in the Tour the widest following, called a boy- work and be answerable to stuof Andalusia by sitting on the road cott of classes and a march on Madrid next week.

and 13 demonstrators were hurt Several thousand people triggered a month of student demlate Tuesday when clashes broke marched peacefully in Paris on onstrations that ended in rioting out as students tried to break Wednesday in protest over educa- and the death of a student.

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servative government, United Press

The demonstrators included leaders of instructors' unions and schoolteachers from the Paris re-

According to organizers, 25,000 people marched to Prime Minister acques Chirac's office, but were blocked from entering the grounds of the building.

The teachers and their unions his budget this year to pay for more object to a government ruling giving more authority to primary school principals. The measure is aimed at establishing an indepen-dently trained principal to supervise schooling, coordinate teachers' dents' parents.

> Mr. Chicac's previous attempt at educational reform, concerning entrance requirements to university,

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(Continued from Page 1) used covert means to fund resistance groups such as the contras years earlier than had been publicly known before.

However, it could not be learned who in the administration first proposed Saudi financing of American-backed anti-Communist movements. Nor is it clear why the administration might have been trying to arrange such financing as early as 1981. Covert assistance to rebel movements would have to have been reported to congressional oversight committees, but there was no explicit ban on military aid to the contras, for example, until

One former administration official said, "I recall the Saudis agreeing to fund anti-Communist groups at the time of the AWACS sale, in connection with the sale." He said that how the informal agreement would be implemented was never explicitly defined.

The 1981 sale of the AWACS planes, the United States's most advanced surveillance aircraft, was narrowly approved by the Senate

after a long debate.

The administration maintained that the sale would improve security in the Gulf region and support the Sandis as a moderating influence in the Arab world. Israel viewed the Saudi AWACS as a security threat.

The Senate voted 52-48 to approve the sale after the administra-tion gave assurances that the United States would maintain Israeli military superiority and that American personnel would operate some of the planes' most secret components. The first planes were delivered last year.

The Saudi agreement to fund inthe debate over the \$8.5 billion sale. Sources said that when the agree- Low-Key U.S. Approach

ment was made, American officials said they would specify later which insurgencies would need support. The officials added that the Saudi government had already estab-lished a channel to the Afghan guerrillas and probably would have aided them even if the United States had not been involved.

The Saudis have officially denied providing funds to the rebels in Nicaragua. However, Saudi officials have not commented on whether Saudi Arabia has provided funds to other guerrilla groups or whether the contras have received private Saudi funds.

Fahd and the Saudi ambassador to Washington, Prince Bandar bin Sultan did not respond to questions about the AWACS deal or related matters.

The American businessman, who asked not to be identified, said that 3,000 tons of powdered milk, which said. shortly after the Senate approved is sitting in rail vards in Bremen the AWACS sale, he met with Fahd and Cologne. at the king's home outside Riyadh, the Saudi capital.

him that he had negotiated a reduction in the number of Americans to be involved in operating the planes.

Key Witness Surfaces him that he had negotiated a reducbe involved in operating the planes.
In return, the king reportedly said, the Saudis had agreed to an American request that they "fund movements to fight Communists."

In Slaying of Letelier

Ru Parall I Communists.

When the businessman asked the king for details of the funding, he said, he was told that "it's up to the U.S. government to tell us where." Chilean secret police captain has

turned himself over to the U.S. au-Congressional investigators and thorities and agreed to cooperate in administration officials say the adthe investigation of the 1976 mnrministration has requested finan-cial help from Saudi Arabia for der of Orlando Letelier, an exiled Chilean diplomat, sources said. rebel groups several times over the last five years.

pleaded guilty in federal court here Wednesday to a lesser charge of accessory to murder in exchange As an example, congressional in-vestigations of the Iran-contra affair have uncovered a Central Intelfor a short prison term and federal ligence Agency bank account in Switzerland holding \$250 million protection, sources close to the case said Tuesday. He is one of three the Saudis donated for the Afghan intelligence officials indicted in the gnerrillas. The Senate intelligence slaying whom Chile has refused to committee also heard testimony about approximately \$30 million the Saudis donated for the contras. but investigators have been unable tain Fernández's cooperation they believe they will be able to build a to trace these funds.

stronger case against Chileans pre-viously implicated in the case, as The California businessman said that starting in late 1983 and continuing through 1985 Saudi offi-cials, including Fahd and Prince Bandar, asked him to funnel about well as a third individual not previously linked to it. \$15 million to the contras. sive discussions in another South

■ U.S. Denies Report

The Reagan administration said Wednesday that no evidence had been uncovered to link the sale of the AWACS planes to a Saudi agreement to aid anti-Communist groups, Reuters reported.

The White House spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, said, "We don't have any indication of any under-standing or quid pro quo" in the AWACS sale.

Is raeli diplomats in France, the put them on trial, contending that the evidence against them was in-sufficient.

# Give Me a Phone, Where Buffalo Roam...

By T.R. Reid

Washington Past Service
PLATTE COUNTY, Wyoming - Doris Leonard contacted the telephone company and asked to have a new phone installed in her home. A truck arrived, the phone was put in, and the next month she received the bill. For \$4,852.

"Well, of course, I was delighted," she said. After decades of climbing into the pickup truck for a 35-mile (about 55-mile) round trip to the little town of Glendo whenever they needed to make a call, Mrs. Leonard and he neighbors in the vast, windswept reaches of eastern Wyoming are delighted with a technological breakthrough that has finally brought them home telephone service.

The new phones on the range are wireless but provide clearer, more reliable and more private communication than other radio-telephone services. They could help provide the means for the United States to achieve the long-sought goal of "universal" telephone service - a network accessible to every home in the country.

.The approach was sharply differon the part of the Iranian authori- ent from its reaction following the ties. The official added, however, Soviet detention of Nicholas S. that the American reporter had vio- Daniloff in Moscow in August

> Mr. Daniloff's arrest on espi nage charges was followed almost immediately by specific threats of retaliation and angry public com-ments by both President Ronald Reagan and George P. Shultz, the U.S. secretary of state.

The difference with the Danilolf case, according to American officials, is that Soviet-American relations are clearly governed by well-defined rules of diplomacy that are respected by both sides, whereas the United States broke off relations with Iran following the 1979 seizure of the U.S. Embassy in Teb-

There have never been fixed rules governing foreign journalists

The federal government and the telephone industry formally established this goal more than 50 years ago. But today, according to the Rural Electrification Administration, about 500,000 rural households remain so far in the middle of nowhere that running a line to them has been 100 expensive.

While the immediate applications are here in the wide open spaces, the new wireless telephone could have even larger implications for city dwellers.

By allowing home telephone service with no need for expensive wire connections, such systems could enable new companies to challenge the residential-service monopoly still enjoyed by local phone companies.

"In the 1960s," said Philip Allen of Mountain Bell, the regional telephone company here, "a few companies started building microwave towers for long-distance calls, and that was the beginning of the technology that drove the breakup of the Bell System's long-

distance monopoly."
"What you're seeing now up there in Wyoming could be the beginning of the same sort

U.S. Plays Down

WASHINGTON - The White

House warned Wednesday against

speculation that the Sixth Fleet was

planning military action in Leba-non and administration officials

said one of two Marine assault

teams may soon be removed from

fleet to 35 ships in recent weeks and

22 of them, including the aircraft carriers Nimitz and John F. Kenne-

dy, are in the eastern Mediterra-

On Tuesday, the United States

moved five ships and a 1,900-man Marine amphibious assault team

into the western Mediterranean but

administration officials said a sec-

ond 1,900-man team, already in the

eastern Mediterranean with the

Nimitz task force, would probably

be replaced by the new unit and

n near Lebanon.

The United States has built the

of change for local home service," he said Before any kind of wireless telephone becomes a serious alternative for the city dweller, however, the price must fall sharply. At \$4,800 a unit, these new phones are not close to being competitive with existing residential

The Ultraphone is a radio unit, but the technology differs from "cellular" phone sys-tems used for automobile telephones in cities. The standard cellular system broadcasts conversations just like a radio station, making them subject to interference and caves-

But this phone converts voices into a stream of digital beeps. This not only permits more callers to use a single radio channel; it makes it difficult or impossible to listen in.

"We got electricity out here in 1950, '51, something like that, and we thought that was right something," said Orman Millikin, an-other local resident. "But now we look over there and see this telephone in our house, and we think, well, we're in the modern world

# CAPTIVE: Iran to Expel Reporter

lated several Iranian regulations 1986. during his stay in the country.

The official said that Mr. Seib's behavior was "far from his duties as a journalist," but the nature of the infractions that Mr. Seib is al-

leged to have committed was not Asked what Iran expects from the United States in return for the reporter's release, the official re-

"Our problems with the United States still remain ansolved, and surgencies was not mentioned in this is not in connection with Mr. Seib's release.

The Reagan administration maintained an uncharacteristically low-key approach since Mr. Seib

promised the contaminated milk

Mr. Wallmann said at a news

conference that he was taking con-

trol because none of the West Ger-

man states or companies involved would accept responsibility for the

Last week, officials in Bremen

By Ronald J. Ostrow

Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON - A former

Captain Armando Fernández

The officials said that with Cap-

The development follows exten-

American country between Cap-

The Associated Press

dallah, the suspected Lebanese

crimes trials, the Allies dropped the

enough power to have influenced

Nazi policy in "the final solution."

practicing law in 1956.

Mr. Klopfer, eventually moved

Abdallah Trial Set Feb. 23

would be destroyed.

was detained, The New York working in Iran since the revolu-Times reported from Washington.

powder back into public hands,

store it somewhere temporarily and then destroy it," Mr. Wallmann

The Egyptian government

U.S. Attorney Joseph E. DiGen-ova. Sources said the case, which

involved one of the boldest acts of

political terrorism committed in the U.S. capital by foreign opera-

Mr. Letelier was Chile's ambas-

tives, will be reopened.

in Mr. Letelier's car.

Allende

PARIS - Georges Ibrahim Ab. Fernández's superior, were indict-

Bonn Pledges to Destroy Bad Milk BONN - Environment Minister port the powdered milk to a Third that significant quantities of un-Walter Walimann stepped World country, reported to be specified radioactive products had Wednesday into a controversy over Egypt. Bavaria, where the milk reached Alexandria.

a bid to export radioactive pow- came from, refused to take it back. dered milk to the Third World and The milk originated from cows that that a Cypriot freighter carrying grazed on pastures contaminated by fallout from the Chernobyl nu-clear disaster.

510 tons of milk powder from Hamburg was being checked by Egyptian officials in the port of "It is our aim to get the milk

> Ministry denied that any radioactive products had entered Egypt or arrived in Alexandria, and customs officials in Alexandria said that no stepped up radioactivity checks of foreign foo foodstuffs after a West German of been seized. foreign food consignments had

# West German radio reported

However, the Egyptian Health

weapons Iran's forces need.

why such dealings have become a focus of the internal political bat-Mr. Seib would not be the first

fore being freed.

Syria is perhaps Iran's most loyal Arab ally in the war with Iraq. But the Syrians have been embarrassed in Lebanon by pro-Iranian extrem-ist groups who have been holding foreign hostages in areas controlled by Syrian troops, and Damascus has asked the Iranian government to rein in its allies.

Mr. Mahmoud, sources here said, was beaten up because he was thought to be meddling in Iranian

The faction that has since been

On the ABM treaty issue, Mr. terpretation of what is permissible under the treaty. He added, "Until then I'll tell him what I think on the

Soviet Promises Restraint Held in Germany The Soviet Union will show "restraint and good common sense" and not immediately resume nuclear testing, despite a U.S. nuclear have arrested (wo Lebanese nationexplosion Tuesday, according to a als in connection with the discovery

# In Technology Research

BELIING — China has issued regulations to reduce the role of government in scientific and tech-

State Council stipulate that research units are to foster closer links with businesses and eventual-The Royal Court Theatre in by derive all their funds from them. London canceled a production of The move followed other efforts to

#### **IRAN**: Attack Possibility Feud Intensifies (Continued from Page 1).

announced Wednesday that Mr. Seib was being expelled.

The power struggle, these sources say, is not a straightfor-ward contest between moderates and radicals, as the Reagan admin-istration sought to explain it following the controversy over the arms sales. The divisions are much more complex and revolve around personalities as well as policy.

We are not talking about simple left-right competition as we have in the West," said one European dipomat in Tehran,

"We are talking about degrees of Islamic extremism. They all believe in the idea of the Islamic revolution; where they diverge on are the the revolution should be following and, most recently, the need to break out of their international isolation to better carry out the war with Iraq."

Mr. Rafsanjani, diplomats say, is more of an opportunist than an ideologue and often plays to what-ever issue seems most likely to advance his cause.

His main power base is the Revolationary Guards, who are fighting in the vanguard of the current offensive against Basra.

In the past year, Mr. Rafsanjani has become a leading advocate of pursuing an outright victory over lraq. He reportedly has become convinced that, to ensure its military triumph, Iran must open contacts with countries that can provide the kind of sophisticated

That may explain his willingness to deal with the United States and

unwitting victim of Iran's internecine political warfare. On Oct. 3, the Syrian charge d'affaires in Teh-ran, Ayat Mahmoud, was kid-napped in front of his embassy, taken out of town and beaten be-

affairs.

identified as being his attackers was one headed by Mehdi Hashemi, the brother of Ayatollah Montazeri's son-in-law and, until recently, the head of the Islamic Liberation Movement. That movement is responsible for spreading the iranian revolution abroad. Because Mr. Rafsanjani has been

the chief advocate of breaking Iran's isolation, the attack on Mr. Mahmoud was widely seen as an attack on Mr. Rafsanjani's policies. Mr. Hashemi and a group of his

closest collaborators were arrested, apparently at Mr. Rafsanjani's reest, in mid-October on charges of treason and abuse of power.

## 2 More Lebanese The Associated Press

FRANKFURT - The police

Soviet editorial Wednesday quoted of a cache of explosives that in-by United Press International in creased suspicions of a possible Middle East terror ring based in West Germany, sources said Wednesday.

The two men were taken into custody shortly after the arrests of two Lebanese Shiite Moslem to stage a play in Dublin that alleges that Jewish leaders collabonight away."

orothers in west Germany, one or
whom is a suspect in the hijacking
of a Trans World Airlines jet to Beirut in 1985.

> Merzig has been under arrest since Jan. 26. Another Lebanese immigrant was arrested last week in Beckingen, they said.

#### Valuable Bottle Stolen in U.S. The Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island U.S. Treasury agents have joined in a search for a \$100,000 diamond-studded bottle of champagne that was stolen while on disthe play last month after protests develop research and introduce inform British Jewish groups and hiscentives for researchers, who work signed to celebrate the 1985 bicenplay Tuesday in the lobby of the tennial of the vineyard Piper-Hiedsieck of Reims, France.

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The Associated Press ULM, West Germany - Ger- ference, but did not attend. hard Klopfer, 81, a former SS general who was the last surviving participant of the 1942 conference that decided on the extermination of dolf Hess fied to Britain in 1941.

European Jews, has died. Mr. Klopfer was one of about 15 top-ranking Nazis who in January charged at the Nuremberg war 1942 gathered in Berlin's Wannsee Villa to decide on what the Nazis case against him in 1951. The court called the "final solution" for the decided that he did not have Jews in Nazi-occupied Europe.

Despite his participation, Mr. Klopfer was never convicted of any

crimes after the war, because of to Neu Ulm in Bavaria, where he

what officials called a lack of evi- was given permission to resume

Alfred Streim, the head of the Mr. Streim said the Nazi Docu-Nazi Documentation Center in mentation Center, which reinves Ludwigsburg, said that Mr. gated Mr. Klopfer on suspicion of Klopfer died Jan. 28 outside Heilbeing an accessory to murder, bronn. Mr. Streim confirmed that "closed the case against Mr. MARKETING EXECUTIVE in few feet of Anio meritat, SEBS position as Asia or local Monager. To years experience. Floarit English, Sparish, French and some Asias. 37, bachelor, high standards presentation. Operational immediately. French people. Ref.: Paris-Cadnes 1/561. Mr. Klopfer was the last surviving Klopfer on Feb. 29, 1962, after member of the Wanniee confer- prosecutors in Ulm decided there ence, which was held under the chairmanship of Reinhard Hey- charge him.

# Gerhard Klopfer, Participant Irish Jews Protest Plan to Stage Play

years and four months in prison. Captain Fernández, General Ma-

nuel Contreras Sepúlveda, former head of Chile's secret police, and

Colonel Pedro Espinoza, Captain

DUBLIN - Members of Iredrich. Hitler had convened the condemned on Wednesday a proposal Mr. Klopfer, a lawyer, became a top aide to Martin Bormann, who lews in World War IL Although Mr. Klopfer was

Jewish Representative Council, said the play "has been harded around cities throughout Europe and it is no great compliment to Dublin that it is the last city in which they are trying to stage it."

The play, "Perdition," although set in Britain, is based on a libel case tried in an Israeli court in 1954. that set off a still-unresolved de-bate about the role of Jewish leaders in wartime Hungary.

#### SDI: Shultz Testifies

(Continued from Page 1) some things faster than they

thought they would." On the question of a near-term deployment, Mr. Shultz said he did not know "at what point there will be the material in hand to be able to make a decision, 'Yes, we should

go ahead and deploy." But he added, "It isn't right now." sador to the United States from 1971 to 1973 during the adminis-Asked if such a decision could be tration of President Salvador made this year, Mr. Shultz replied, "I shouldn't think so."

On Sept. 21, 1976, three years after Allende died in a coup that But he said action might be considered on "certain items" in the SDI program that might have to be launched soon in order for a future installed Augusto Pinochet as the Chilean leader, Mr. Letelier and an American colleague, Ronni Mof-fitt, were killed by a bomb planted president to make a broader decision on deployment five or more years from now.

In 1978, an American who worked for the Chilean secret po-lice, Michael V. Townley, admitted A senior Defense Department official said that Mr. Weinberger planting the bomb and implicated discussed at the White House meeting "the extraordinary progress in the past year" on SDI and "the fact that it leaves us with more op-Captain Fernández and other Chilean intelligence officials in the planning of the assassination. Mr. Townley pleaded guitty un-der a plea-bargaining agreement and was released after serving three tions." The official said it was "not

a confrontational meeting." Shultz said that Mr. Reagan might wish to shift the U.S. position "sometime soon" to a broader in-

# guerrilla leader, will go on trial In an action that bruised U.S.-Feb. 23 on charges of complicity in Chilean relations, Chile in 1979 rethe 1982 killings of American and fused to extradite the officials or

Moscow began a umlateral moratorium on such testing 18 months ago. The editorial, carried by the Novosti news agency, said that the land's Jewish community con- explosion freed the Soviet Union to resume testing, but it added, "This

# Joe Briscoe, a member of the China to Curb State Role Lebanese man living in the town of The Associated Press

nological research, the Chinese press reported Wednesday.

The regulations, issued by the torians, who said the play was rid-dled with inaccuracies. who work under bureaucratic controls in in-adequate facilities. adequate facilities.

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#### SCIENCE

# **Antimatter Quest** Is Beginning to **Show Results**

By William J. Broad New York Times Service

HALF a century after the discovery of the baffling, rare stuff known as antimatter, scientists are beginning to collect it in minuscule amounts, creating a wave of excitement around the world as they ex-

Breakthroughs in making and storing this enigmatic form of matter are enabling scientists to study more of it than ever hefore - yet still in amounts so small that the assembled mass would be invisible to the naked eye. At the edge of space, occa-sional rays of antimatter are being record-ed by instruments that are lofted by balloons in an attempt to resolve some of the riddles that surround antimatter's origin

and that of the universe. Right now this work is pure research, but scientists say that in the future antimatter could be used in rocket engines, weapons, power generation and other applications.

Antimatter is unlike anything else. Fun-

damentally, it is the mirror image of matter but with an opposite electrical charge and it cannot exist in the presence of matter; they annihilate each other. Those who rouse about it like to dwell on the possibilities it presents, of shadowy galaxies, stars matter as matter," and planets that are, in effect, an anti-

mounted on the side of the United States's equation describing the behavior of elec-orbiting space station in 1994 to sweep the trons, he realized it had positive and nega-sky with unprecedented sensitivity for tive solutions. If the universe was symmettraces of the exotic material.

mers are nonetheless searching for stars and even galaxies made of it. Their search

No one had observed such particles, But is driven in part by their belief that nature has a deep and abiding symmetry in which, metaphorically speaking, every plus has a Technology, came across odd streaks amid minus, every yin a yang. All the matter in particle tracks in a cloud chamber. The the universe should thus have an antimatter counterpart.

"There's no proof it isn't out there, and some theories suggest it's waiting to be discovered, found," said Dr. Mark E. Wiedenbeck, an In 1933, astrophysicist at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Robert L. Forward, senior scientist at the research laboratories of the Hughes Aircraft Co., said: "The real question in antiprotons and other types of antimatter everybody's mind is why the universe particles, as well as antimatter stars. "We

by experiments with atom smashers in possible that for some of the stars it is the experiments. The breakting other way about."

but intense fireballs of energy that can condense into showers of subatomic particles in which every electron has an antielectron, every proton an antiproton, and so

The antimatter particles discovered so far have the same mass and other measurplore its nature and applications and re-double their efforts to find it in the heav-matter. When matter and antimatter particles collide, they are transformed into energy, mainly in the form of gamma rays. The process releases all the latent energy the particles contain and is many times more efficient than the nuclear reactions that power atomic and hydrogen bombs.

On Earth, made exclusively of matter, a tiny particle of antimatter created in a laboratory usually lasts only a few mil-lionths of a second before it is annihilated in a collision with matter. But in theory, islands of antimatter could be floating in the universe, cut off from matter by the void of space. If a large chunk of antimatter fell to Earth, the planet would be vapor-

ized in a blinding flash of energy.

"An antigalaxy would look just exactly like any other galaxy," said Dr. Floyd W. Stecker, an astrophysicist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. "For the universe as a whole, it could turn out there's just as much anti-

and planets that are, in effect, an antiuniverse.

In the 1990s, the antimatter search is to
Expand as an \$80 million instrument is

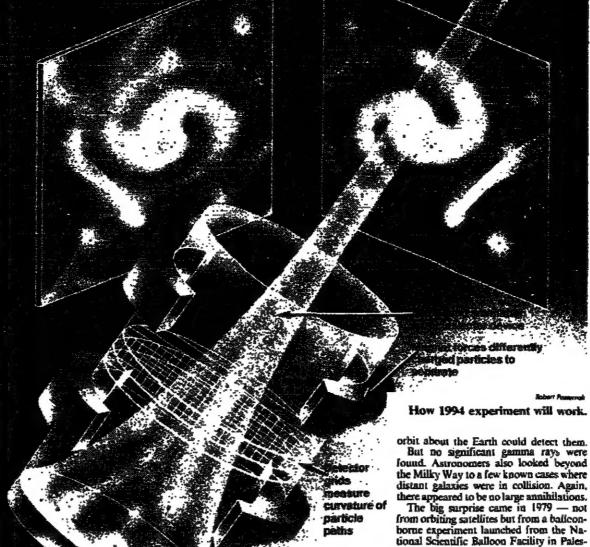
The prophet of antimatter was Dr. Paul
A.M. Dirac, a British physicist who in
1928, at the age of 26, predicted the existence of antiparticles. While pondering an rical, and his deep sense of symmetry told While no evidence exists that the cosmos him that it was, ordinary electrons, which has clumps of antimatter, a few astronohave a negative charge, would have strange

> in 1932 Dr. Carl Anderson, a 26-year-old physicist at the California Institute of except they curved in the wrong direction. matching pair of matter-antimatter parti-The antielectron, or positron, had been cles. The principle of such creation is de-

In 1933, Dr. Dirac won the Nobel Prize Physics for the accuracy of his intuition. In his acceptance speech, he elaborated on his vision and predicted the discovery of The search for symmetry has been fueled told the Stockholm audience. "It is quite

the extremely high temperatures and pressures believed to have existed at the birth confirmed in 1955 when Emilio Segre and known as CERN, near Geneva. The key gamma rays would be unable to penetrate

H. Israel, an astrophysicist at Washington sures believed to have existed at the birth confirmed in 1955 when Emilio Segre and known as CERN, near Geneva. The key of the universe. The collisions produce tiny Owen Chamberlain, physicists working stride was a method to store antiprotons in the Earth's atmosphere, but satellites in some would leak into our galaxy."



with a atom smasher at the University of a large circular tube from which all air had California at Berkeley, slammed protons into special targets and afterward located a few traces of antiprotons. Later it turned out that the flash of energy created in many high-energy collisions condenses into a Physicists used the antiparticles in atom E=mc2 — energy equals mass times the square of the speed of light.

For a long time, antimatter on Earth was so rare that its main forum was science fiction. In the "Star Trek" series, for example, the engines of the starship Enterprise seems to be made up of matter when, on a must regard it rather as an accident that the cosmic scale, antimatter is just as easy to Earth (and presumably the whole solar changed in 1982 as advances in magnets system), contains a preponderance of negative and other seemingly unrelated fields allowed physicists for the first time to make. Astronomers instead looked for subtler capture, store and use antimatter for their

The breakthrough was made at the Euro-

been removed. The antiparticles, whirling through the tube at nearly the speed of light, were held in a powerful magnetic field that kept them from striking the sides. smashers to probe the atom. Last July they cles. The principle of such creation is de-scribed by Einstein's famous equation tons in magnetic "bottles" and holding them motionless.

Scientists say strides in antimatter production and storage might eventually allow annihilation energy to be used for rockets and weapons. Astronomers began to hunt for antimat-

ter. Optical telescopes were no help in this search since antimatter stars would appear identical to those made of matter. clues. In our Milky Way galaxy, they reasoned, collisions involving gas, dust, stars matter, then the cosmic rays it accelerates and planets made of antimatter would pro-would be anticosmic rays," said Dr. Martin

#### **Bacteria Strain Eats Toxic Chemicals**

IN BRIEF

WASHINGTON (WP) - Swiss biochemists have developed a method of artificially directing the evolution of bacteria so as to produce strains that can break down otherwise toxic synthetic chemicals. They have already created a strain of soil bacteria that eats and digests one toxic substance, 4-ethylbenzoate, that no previous bacteria would touch.

The scientists say similar bacterial strains could be developed to break down many different toxins and released into the environment to multiply and rid soil and water of dangerous pollutants.

The Swiss approach amounts to a laboratory method of doing quickly what happens slowly in nature. Most new synthetic chemicals that prove to be environmental threats are organic compounds. As such, they contain carbon and chemical energy that could act as food sources for bacteria if the molecule could be dismantled before its toxicity killed the

#### 'Not Now, Dear; I'll Get a Headache'

NEW YORK (UPI) — A Boston neurologist says headaches, long a classic excuse for avoiding sex with one's spouse, can actually be brought on by the rigors of intercourse. Sex-related headaches are suffered by an estimated 250,000 Americans, two-thirds of them men, Dr. Donald Johns of Massachusetts General Hospital, reported in Discover magazine.

Dr. Johns, a neurologist, said he is not sure what causes the migraine-like headaches, but believes the rise in blood pressure and heart rate that

accompany orgasm may be a key factor. In some rare cases, the headaches may be caused by a tear in the spinal cord lining that leaks fluid and
produces a drop in pressure around the brain after orgasm.

He said researchers used to believe sex-induced headaches were caused

by stress, especially in extramarital affairs, or taxing positions.

#### Fruit, Vegetables May Cut Stroke Risk

BOSTON (Reuters) — An extra daily serving of fresh fruit or vegetables may sharply reduce the risk of dying from a stroke by 40 percent, U.S. and British researchers reported recently.

In a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine, the researchers said the extra potassium seemed to belp regardless of a person's age, sex, weight, smoking habits, cholesterol levels or blood pressure, all factors in the risk of heart disease and stroke. They also said a person with a diet rich in the mineral potassium is less likely to have a stroke, but it was not clear if diet was responsible.

#### Hormone, Breast Cancer Risk Linked

BOSTON (UPI) — Having a baby appears to permanently depress levels of a hormone in women, possibly explaining how becoming a mother early reduces the risk of developing breast cancer, researchers said recently in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The findings suggest the need to explore the possible benefits and safety of artificially suppressing the hormone in women who remain childless to decrease their chances of developing breast cancer, the scientists said. Previous studies have shown that women who have children before age 30 are about two-thirds less likely to develop breast cancer, which is second only to lung cancer as the leading cause of cancer death among American women.

"If you were trying to solve the problem of breast cancer, you would seem to be able to reduce the incidence by giving all the women a pill that would suppress their [hormone] levels," said Delwood C. Collins of Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta.

#### Scientists to Protect Giant Tortoises

VICTORIA, Seychelles (UPI) - Two U.S. scientists have left for a 5week expedition to the world's largest coral atoll on a culling mission to

protect a rare colony of giant land tortoises.

Their task is to slanghter many of an estimated 2,000 wild goests crowding in on grazing for 150,000 tortoises — primary residents on the island of Aldabra and the globe's biggest concentration of the big reptiles.
"The goats do severe ecological damage and in some cases can strip an island completely of vegetation, turning it into a desert," said Dirk Van Vuren, one of the two American experts, before leaving the Scycheller capital of Victoria for Aldabra last week.

Mr. Van Vuren, a biologist from Oregon State University, and his colleague Bruce Coblenz from Kansas State University, took highpowered hunting rifles on the 660-mile air-and-boat trip (1,100 kilometers) south to Aldabra from the main Seychelles island of Mahé.

# Restoring Angkor Wat

By Sanjoy Hazarika

NEW DELHI — Armed with chemical cleaners, preservatives and experience, a team of indian archaeologists has begun restoring Angkor Wat, the ancient Capital of Cambodia.

Our approach is that the re-

stored monuments should be complete in all respects — the landscaping, the structure and the monuments themselves," said Dr. M.S. Nagaraja Rao, India's former director general of archaeology, who has been in charge of the project. "If necessary, we will dismantle and rebuild those parts which are in bad shape."

Rao, who visited the 850-year-old Khmer capital last year and drew up plans to clean and repair it, says the job will take six to eight years because of the bad condition of the stone structures and because the country's hot, summer rainy season will prevent work six

Extending over an area of 40 square miles, the ruins contain some of the world's most imposing -monuments. Angkor was abandoned as the Khmer capital in the 15th century in favor of Phnom Penh and the ruins were rediscov-

ered by the French only in 1861. Dr. Rao says he has set out four major tasks for this year for his team, which will include scores of

Cambodian masons and workers. The Indians plan to begin with the restoration of the main entrance to the enormous complex of worst by water seepage: entire pil-teachers and traders triveled to the temples, chapels and corridors. lars and sections of the stone floor Khmer kingdom and entired in the This entrance, with its carvings of mythological battles between gods and demons and depictions of life in paradise and hell as well as the Khimer court, is known as the bats have dropped mounds of ex-Western Gate and is the largest of creta on the floor and figures. The four gates. Its rows of windows growth of moss, lichens and algae achieving a rare blend of traditions with stone screens of turned balus- also hastened disfigurement. ters are now badly damaged -

brary. The third phase will be the excavation of a pond and the fourth is setting stone steps leading to the most on the left of the West-

and continuing fighting between opponents and supporters of the nymphs carved out of stone - and current Vietnam-backed government have left few visible scars, discoloration. although they say there are some

"There is colossal damage but it stone in the tropical climate, over- entire place come alive and become abandoned to the jungle.



A relief in the rains of Angkor Wat.

grown vegetation," said Krishna Indian archaeological study team to Angkor in 1983, Dr. Srivastava said in an interview some figures on the wails have been completely washed away. "At places, the sand-

to a mild touch." The archaeologist added that the roofed corridors that stretch for central complex was affected the miles. Hindu princes, religious

In 1986, India and Cambodia many of the slim pillars are broken, signed an agreement authorizing indian specialists to start the restocracked or missing.

The second task is restructuring
The second task is restructuring ration. India is paying for the project but officials decline to give a figure on the cost. Sources close to the project say it will run into millions of dollars.

When Dr. Srivastava visited the complex in 1983, he asked one of Visitors to the site say that de-cades of civil strife under Pol Pot the apsarases — there are thousands of these graceful, celestial remove the stains caused by water rice production and repeated at-

Three years later, Dr. Rao visited that now glows seductively in conis natural -- cracked pillars and trast to the blackened walls and facades caused by water seepage, weathered sculptures near it. "We weathering and cracking of the have the competence to make the weathered sculptures near it. "We

The Cambodians gave the job to the Indians after turning down of-fers from France and Poland.

Indian experts say that some parts of the Angkor Wat complex must be dismantled and rebuilt pillar by pillar, slab by slab, with cranes hoisting stone blocks and pillars while mechanical jacks push up the structure and allow engineers to re-lay the foundations.

Angkor Was was built by the Khmer monarch Survayarman II in the 12th century. It has three concentric great enclosures, with the sanctuary, which could be visited only by the king and his inner circle, at the center of the last enclosure. There are four corridors of bas-relief nearly a mile (1.6 kilometers) long, while the central pyra-mid temple rises 215 feet (75 meters) from a rectangular base and is

surrounded by four other temples.
The complex is approached by crossing a most 660 feet wide. The stone causeway across the most leads to the western entrance and is 50 feet wide. The road between the main gate and the second enclosure grown vegetation," said Krishna is a quarter mile long, 30 feet wide Murari Srivastava, who led the first and raised 5 feet above ground lev-

Throughout the complex are reminders of the close cultural relationship between India and Southeast Asia. Hindu myths, legends stone falls away like powder even and events are depicted on the walls of the temples an i the vast.

> The Khmers profited by the intercourse: they acquired knowledge of Sanskrit, astronomy, mathematics and technology and assimilated it into their culture, that is reflected in the grace and delicacy of the reliefs at Angkor. Hindu rituals were used at weddings, and the Hindu calendar was

used to divide the year into seasons. At the beight of its power and splendor, the Khmer empire was larger than modern Cambodia. Fifty-four sovereigns ruled the empire between the first and 14th centuries. The Angkor period began about 802 and continued under 14 rulers over 327 years.

Angkor Wat's decline began after the 12th century with a drop in tacks by Thais and Vietnamese. Finally, the capital moved to Phnom the site and remarked on the figure Peop and the stone temple cities in and around Angkor - some had existed before Suryavarman II began his work and a few were built elsewhere by his successors - were



tine, Texas, and carried to the edge of

space. It found antimatter itself above the Earth. Astrophysicists had long suspected

that the protons that form many of the cosmic rays streaking through the galaxy occasionally created antiprotons in the

same way atom smashers do - that is, by collisions with bits of matter. They predict-

ed they would find one antiproton cosmic

ray in every 20,000 cosmic rays. But the

scientists in charge of the balloon experi-

ment, one of the first to record cosmic

antimatter on the edge of space, discovered some three times more antiprotons than

"It was a puzzlement," said Dr. Robert

L. Golden of New Mexico State Universi-

ty, who headed the group. A relatively simple explanation is that intergalactic

space simply has more gaseous matter than

expected, which triggers more collisions

and therefore more production of antimat-

ter cosmic rays. A more exotic explanation

is that some of the excess rays are actually

"primary antiprotons," not created ones, speeding through space from distant anti-

"If some other galaxy is made of anti-

they had expected.

matter galaxies.

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# Herald Tribune.

# A Filipino Mandate

That gripping political drama in the Philippines continues to leave a world audience Aquino's rule, the drama takes a different agape. Only last week President Corazon Aquino was pursued by mutinous troops and leftist rioters. Egging them on from Hawaii were the Marcoses, waiting to be implored to return from exile once people glimpsed television pictures of the ex-president flexing his pectorals and his wife shopping for combat fatigues.

To the rescue came the Philippine people, by the tens of millions. They buried Mrs. Aquino's opponents in a plebiscite remarkable for its huge and peaceful turnout. Independent poll watchers expect nearly 80 percent approval for a constitution that gives Mrs. Aquino a six-year term, enshrines civil liberties and assures her adversaries the right to agitate against her, openly and peacefully, in a legislative election in May. What also helped foil the Marcoses was a

sound decision in Washington to ground the couple in Hawaii. Ferdinand Marcos complains that he is a "prisoner" because he cannot return to the Philippines without Washington's permission. Technically true, yet in a sense the United States is his prisoner; no other country wants him. If he and his wife persist in batching conspiracies, violating their understanding with Washington, their haven will be at risk.

Now that the vote has legitimized Mrs. turn. Inescapably, the theme of her first year has been survival. Now she needs to address the clamor for change that gave her power yet could quickly take it away. Reforms are all the more urgent, given the likely collapse of the shaky cease-fire in the

17-year war with Communist insurgents.
The question she needs to answer was put bluntly by Alberto Alvarez, president of a peasant association in Cavite, a town near Manila: "How can we have genuine land reform where the people making the laws are the landowners?" Part of her problem is financial. Some \$300 million is needed for cash compensation to owners of baronial plantations growing rice and corn. What could make the difference is enlightened support from the United States, directly and through multilateral lending agencies.

Washington has a vital stake in the stability and prosperity of a reborn democracy in this former colony. Americans are bound by history, trade and culture to a people who, as it happens, are landlords of the biggest U.S. military bases overseas. With this plebiscite Mrs. Aquino has stunned her extremist foes and won a massive mandate,

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Gambling on Brazil

Brazil got a big financial boost from the ed expansion, with persistent high inflation.
"Paris club" of creditor governments late The "cruzado plan," begun last year, last month. The creditors arranged for rescheduling \$4 billion in near-term payments, without requiring Brazil to reach a formal agreement with the International Monetary Fund. That spares a wobbly democratic government further domestic numiliation. But it also sets a questionable precedent for less creditworthy borrowers.

Brazil no longer generates hefty trade surpluses to finance its debts. The new agreement helps close the financing gap in exchange for what it describes as an "enhanced relationship" between Brazil and the IMF. Further rescheduling talks with private creditors, who hold most of Brazil's \$111 billion in foreign debt, begin soon. If capital-hungry Brazil wants to regain access to foreign resources, it will have to absorb the levens of its recent mistakes.

The Brazilian economy is booming, Its annual growth rate, above 8 percent, is among the world's highest. Through year after year of such growth Brazil has become the non-Communist world's eighth-largest economic power. But this growth depends on continued foreign borrowing, which has been threatened by inflation. And despite the return of democratic government, its fruits continue to be very unequally distributed. The government of President Jose Samey has had to try, all at once, to improve the lot of the poor, consolidate supjort among working and middle classes and tisfy foreign creditors. This has dictatThe "cruzado plan," begun last year, tried to square the circle, promising an end to inflation, continued domestic growth and no sacrifice in Brazil's capacity to service its debt. Key elements were a new currency, de-indexation of wages and a price freeze. Workers, who reaped immediate dividends in purchasing power, cheered. Business boomed. But export goods were sucked into the domestic market, accompanied by a tide of imports. The trade surplus eroded badly. Shortages sowed the seeds for a new inflationary surge once the price freeze was eased. Corrective action was delayed until after the ruling party won a landstide election victory in November.

Days later an adjustment package increased some sensitive prices by as much as 100 percent. Brazilians felt betrayed, unions announced strikes and riots briefly broke out. The government has yet to regain its balance. Meanwhile, statistics point to a return of triple-digit inflation and show

no clear recovery in external accounts. The Paris agreement acknowledges that the Third World debt crisis requires flexibility. It recognizes the continued underlying strength of Brazil's economy. It subordinates strict standards of prudence to the consolidation of democratic rule. It is a constructive gamble, well worth making -but it may all turn into a loss unless the government translates its remaining political strength into lasting structural reforms.

## **Another World Record**

States. Once again the country has rung up the largest annual trade deficit in economic history, exceeding by a comfortable margin. as they say on the sports pages, even last year's lamentable performance.

The deficit will improve - that is, shrink - this year because the dollar has been falling. But the turnsround has not haprened yet. Don't be misled by preliminary numbers for December that the Commerce Department published last Friday. The preliminary figure for November was \$19.2 hillion; the figure for December was \$10.7 billion. A dramatic drop? Unfortunately, no. Preliminary figures do not count the goods that came and went in the month, but rather the Customs documents processed during the month. The revisions try to sort out shipments by the months in which they actually moved, and that sky-high figure for November has now been revised down drastically. The low December deficit is very likely to be revised upward. For the past six months there has been no indica-

tion of a trend in any direction. These eccentric and misleading trade figures can do real harm. The November

It is another world record for the United is considering a proposal to delay each month's figures a couple of weeks in order to reflect more accurately what is really happening. The right decision is obviously to favor statistical reporting that is more accurate. These data are too influential to be published in the present cuckoo form.)

There are several ways to measure the trade deficit, but the broadest is the current account balance. It includes not only goods but also services and investment income, and it represents the amount that the United States has to borrow to finance its overspending. For 1986 the current account deficit will turn out to have been about \$140 billion - another record, and another warning of dangerous instability.

In 1981, as the Reagan economic policies began to take effect, U.S. investments abroad were \$140 billion greater than foreign investments in the United States. Those foreign investments returned a steady stream of profits, which lifted U.S. income. Now, five years later, the investment balance is more than reversed. Foreign investments are currently larger by about \$250 billion. That is the net debt of the United States: two and a half times as

big as Mexico's or Brazil's. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

#### Other Comment

#### Colombia Is Losing the War

return of commerce, Malcolm Baldrige,

Colombia is losing its war against illegal drug traffickers. Judges are being murdered at the rate of one a month. Three newspaper editors who crusaded against drug traffickers have been murdered, as have several top police officials. A former attorney general who was given an ambassadorial post behand the Iron Curtain to help protect him from retribution was tracked down in Hungary and killed by a hired gunman.

So rich and powerful have Colombia's drug lords become (they control an estimated 80 percent of the cocaine sold in the United States) that they have begun spending their ill-gotten gains to try to win sup-port from Colombia's poor. They have built social centers, funded food programs and tried to run for public office, portraying

themselves as modern-day Robin Hoods. Some have gone so far as to suggest that they might repatriate the money that they have hidden in foreign banks to help bolster the Colombian economy — if the government of President Virgilio Barco lets up on the legal pressure that it has put on them. Mr. Barco and many other honest officials have resisted all efforts by the drug lords to intimidate them or to seduce them with the fantastic wealth that their filthy trade produces. But the Colombians will not win their war on drugs by themselves. As in Mexico and Peru, prominent Colombian politicians are starting to ask why their nation should bear the pain of the drug war when the rich nation that consumes most of those illegal drugs is not doing enough to control the problem within its own borders.

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### **OPINION**

# Bungling in Washington Feeds Fantasies in Beirut

P ARIS — Why stop taking hostages in Beirut? It works so well. It buys U.S. arms for Iran. It gets terrorists back from foreign prisons. According to Secretary of State George Shultz. Washington tried to get Kuwait to free 17 Shitte terrorists in exchange for American hostages. And Bonn has been wrestling over whether to trude Mohammed Ali Hamadeh, wanted for murder and air piracy by the United States, for Germans kidnapped in Beirut.

The latest seizures of American hostages came after an unnecessary White House statement on Jan. 23 that the United States condemns "Iranian seizure and occupation of Iraqi territory" in the Gulf war, and that it remains "strongly committed to supporting the individual and collective self-defense of our friends in the Gulf." An anodyne statement, you might think — although hypocritical in talking about "seizure" and "self-defense" when it was Iraq that started the

war by unprovoked aggression against Iran.
But that White House statement surely fed the conviction. widely held in Tehran and Beirut, that America not only tries to manipulate the destinies of practically everyone and everything of consequence but also would enter the Gulf war if Iran continued to make progress against Iraq's defenses. A recent report that U.S. marines were positioned in Egypt, preparing to intervene, had to be denied by U.S. officials. The four professors kidnapped from Beirut University College — and possibly some of the others who have disappeared, including

Terry Waite — pay the price for this hysteria.

Fantasies in the Middle East are fed by U.S. officials who think it clever to send doctored intelligence to both sides in the

CHERTHOCK

The Price Keeps Going Up

THE rash of kidnappings in Lebanon are the tragic harvest of President Reagan's folly in seeking to ransom earlier hostages. By giving in to Iranian-guided terrorists, he told the world that U.S. policy could be manipulated by whoever seizes U.S. citizens. Many

Americans are angry with the victims, but

that misses the point. Others can be taken in

other parts of the world. Paying ransom is

open-ended. The process keeps pushing up

- Syndicated columnist Jim Fain.

the price, and there is no end to it.

By William Pfaff

war, to dicker for hostages while denouncing allies who make deals, and to conduct U.S. policy by way of arms merchants. money-launderers and the international underworld.

American intervention in the Gulf war, nonetheless, is not a serious possibility. It is less of a possibility under the Reagan administration than it was under the Carter administration. Ronald Reagan and his people have repeatedly shown their commitment to high-publicity, low-risk action in any situations that might produce serious trouble. A commitment of U.S. troops to land war in the Mesopotamian valley and the marshes of southern Iraq would serve neither the political fortunes of the Republican Party nor the personal careers of those who launched such a move.

The error of this White House staff, as of its predecessor, is not that it fails to grasp that great events are under way in the Middle East, but that it underestimates what those events really mean. Washington holds an alarming geopolitical vi-sion of the Soviet Union using Moslem integrism to dominate the Middle East, seize its oil, rule the trade routes of the Gulf, the Red Sea, the Indian Ocean, and so on. This is the sort of thinking that comes from too many people writing "scenarios" in too many think tanks and war colleges.

The integrist religious uphenval in Iran may spend itself in the course of this war. As many fear, it might also spill out of the Shifte community into the larger Islamic world. It is a movement that directly reacts to the humiliating traumas suffered by Moslems in the 19th and 20th centuries — loss of empire, failure to compete with the Western world on Western terms, the series of defeats administered to them by Israel, and the attacks upon them by the United States.

Islamic integrism, however, is a religious movement about which the United States can do virtually nothing. It also is something about which America, were it wise, could afford a certain detachment. It is their business, first of all. It is fundamentally hostile to Marxism and a threat to the Soviet Union, which has a large Moslem minority. It threatens Israel, certainly, but perhaps no more seriously than Israel is threat-

ened by radicalized secular Arab governments.

George Orwell said in the early 1940s: "The energy that actually shapes the world springs from emotions - racial pride, leader-worship, religious belief, love of war — which liberal intellectuals mechanically write off as anachromams ... "He was referring not simply to political liberals (who in Britain are not called "liberals") but to secular intellectuals, the mainstream intelligentsia of the West.

The wealth of the West has tended to cut it off from recognition of the darker forces at work in society. Modern Americans have too comfortably identified their enemies with the Soviet Union and international communism. This is comfortable because against the Communists one has missiles and bombers, but it is escapism. Forces like those at work in Middle Eastern religion are what really shape and reshape human society. To respond adequately demands qualities of historical insight and political restraint that have come to count for little in modern American government.

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# To Algiers With 26 Barrels of Blackmail Dollars

WASHINGTON — Three days after Christmas in 1790, when the United States was young and innocent of world affairs, the secretary of state, "having had under consideration the situation of the citizens of the United States in captivity," drafted the

following report to the president:
"When the House of Representatives, at their late session, were pleased to refer to the secretary of state the petition of our citizens in captivity at Algiers, there still existed some expectation that certain measures which had been employed to effect their redemp-tion, the success of which depended on their secrecy, might prove effectual.

"Information received during the recess of Congress has so far weakened those expectations as to make it now a duty to lay before the president ... a full statement of what has been attempted for the release of these our suffering citizens ... that he may be enabled to decide what further is to be done.

"On the 25th of July, 1785, the schooner Maria, Captain Stevens, belonging to a Mr. Foster of Boston, was taken off Cape St. Vincents by an Algerine corsair; and, five days afterwards, the ship Dauphin, Captain O'Brien, belonging to Messrs. Irvins of Philadelphia, was taken by another Algerine about 50 leagues westward of Lisbon. These vessels, with their cargoes and crews, 21 persons in number, were carried into Algiers."

The secretary of state proceeded to lay out

By Haynes Johnson

a story of secret diplomacy complete with secret agents, middlemen, deposits of cash in Paris bank accounts and ransom negotiations by emissaries who, "while acting thus far without authority, thought themselves bound to offer a price so moderate as not to be disapproved" - all of which was undertaken to secure release of the American hostages.

That effort culminated in an American agent offering the captors ransom of \$200 per hostage, "something less than had been just before paid for about 300 French captives." Believing that a deal had been struck, he proceeded to close it. The secretary of state then described the results: "On the arrival of the agent at Algiers, the Dey demanded \$59,496 for the 21 captives and could be brought to abute but little from that demand. The agent, therefore, returned in 1786 with-

out having effected either peace or ransom."
Thus did Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson describe to President George Washington the events that led to one of the most humiliating episodes in American history: the paying of tribute to cutthroats who held sway along the Mediterranean coast.

Thomas Bailey writes in his classic "Diplo matic History of the American People":
"Washington and Adams had been forced
to endure the humiliation of purchasing trea-

ties with three of the North African states, and of sending them hundreds of thousands of dollars of protection money ('presents').
Ironically enough, at almost the very time
when the citizens of the republic were shouting themselves hoarse with the slogan 'Mil-lions for defense but not one cent for tribute,' an American ship arrived at Algiers with 26 barrels of blackmail dollars."

That condition continued until Jefferson became president and confronted another crisis involving contemptuous demands from the so-called Barbary pirates.

Jefferson, a presumed pacifist who disliked the navy, sent warships and marines to the Mediterranean, Dictating at cannon's mouth, America won satisfactory treaties from the pirate states. The historian records: "Jefferson's courageous action inaugurated a policy that freed American commerce, strengthened American nationality and awakened a new respect for the United States."

Moral: When confronted with hostage-takers and terrorists, American presidents might recall the old lesson that paying off bandits to free hostages guarantees more hostage-taking and greater demands for more ransom. Instead of carrying cakes to pirates and shipping missiles to terrorists, make those outlaws understand that there will be no deals, no relationships, no negotiations, no tribute and no private policy of appeasement.

The Washington Post.

# China Is Steaming Upstream

WASHINGTON—Nowhere has China's gravitational tug become stronger than in Hong Kong.

By Joel Kotkin

This is the second of two articles.

logy while China was cut off. Now we have the educated people, the technicians and the managers to tap China was cut off. where a prototypical manufacturing platform is now being rapidly transformed into a technical, design and service center. From 1978 to 1985, Hong Kong's domestic exports to China jumped 14-fold, with re-exports multiplying 131 times. As a result, the mainland is now Hong Kong's second most important trading partner after the United States. And the aggressive Hong Kong entrepreneurs regard remilication with China, scheduled for 1997, as the basis for their own more into higher. basis for their own move into higher-

value products and services. Take the garment and textile industries, now the source of more than 40 percent of Hong Kong's industrial employment and export. For decades the bargain basements of America have been stocked with clothes la-beled "Made in Hong Kong." Today it is just as likely that those garments were made in China, where labor rates are as little as one-third those of

the British crown colony.

Many of these Chinese factories were started in collaboration with Hong Kong manufacturers, financed through Hong Kong banks and sold through Hong Kong agents. By some accounts, Hong Kong today is the source for roughly 60 percent of the

upscale, manufacturing high fashion for the likes of Giorgio Armani, Abercrombie & Fitch and Christian Dior. And, like Japan in the late 1970s, it is also developing its own fashion designers and stylists.

Eddie Lau is one of them. He left

school at 13 to work in a garment factory. By his early 20s he was designing and sewing clothes for Hong Kong's secretaries. Now 34, he de-signs high-fashion clothes, manufactured in local factories, for trendy poutiques as far away as Europe and Japan. Increasingly his most impor-tant client is the Chinese government, which is seeking to develop an original look for its own garment industry.

Together, Hong Kong and China will emerge as the new fashion cen-ter," said Mr. Lau. "When China takes over, we will have an identity to match with our skills. China will need designers to reach out to the world, and they will find them here."

As with garments, so too technology. Hong Kong's electronics manufacturers see Clima as the natural base for their own move into highervalue production and services. We are perfectly placed to provide the interface between China and

direct foreign investment in China.

While Chinese manufacturers are moving into the low end of the garment trade, Hong Kong is moving oped and absorbed modern techno-

By Joel Kotkin logy while China was cut off. Now we have the educated people, the technina's resources and markets.

Mr. Cheong and an associate are building a factory in Dongguan in South China to produce laminates for printed-circuit boards. When it is completed early this year, it will give the People's Republic a capacity to produce materials for printed-circuit boards that meet IBM's standards. China and its Hong Kong partners will gain entry to a potential \$300 million market in the Far East alone.

The Chinese are sensitive to issues of economic imperialism, especially from Japan and the West. in the short run, their new entrepreneurial managers will probably be content to offer a manufacturing platform for more developed trading partners in Asia and the West, But, like the entrepreneurs of Singapore and Hong Kong, they look confidently to the day when the Chinese will design, develop and market their own product lines - for internal consumption and eventually for export. "We will start with just the assembly, the simple part," said Wang Guorun, vice mayor of Dongguan. "Then we will move on. We are building the firm foundation for a major electronics industry here. We want to produce it and design it all right here."

The witter covers the Pacific Rim for Inc. Magazine, from which this comment was adapted by The Washington Past.

# **Japanese Cars Are Filling** Detroit's 'Creativity Gap'

W nonnement that it was constant ue its "voluntary" quota on auto exports to the United States at 2.3 million vehicles for another year was million vehicles for another year was in Detroit as "an empty gescissfully transplanted to Japanese cossfully transplanted to Japanese cossfully transplanted to Japanese nouncement that it will contingreated in Detroit as "an empty ges-ture." The announcement and the reaction were predictable. The quota restraints, first imposed in 1981, gencrated huge profits for the major Japansse automakers by allowing them to raise prices without fear of compe-tition from the big three in Detroit. And the quotas enabled the Ameriand the quotas ensoied the American companies to boost sales and profits, even though they have not been able to keep pace with advancing Japanese technology.

The quotas work out to be a wonderful cartel instrument for the his

derful cartel instrument for the big boys in Tokyo and Detroit. It is only the consumer who gets shortchanged.
What Detroit would have liked, as Ford's President Harold Poling said, was a reduction in the quotas from 2.3 to 2 million. That would have tipped some business from Tokyo to Detroit, helping General Motors, Ford and the others to sell more cars without making them much better. Detroit will eventually have to learn to make cars that sell on their own merit and not because a better or more attractive product is verboten.

Douglas Fraser, then president of the United Auto Workers, argued in the early '80s that if the Japanese wanted to sell cars in America they should "come over here and produce them here!" One result of the quotas has been just that: By 1990, Japa-nese-run U.S. assembly lines will be turning out 2 million units a year.

By that time, says Peter J. Jacullo, vice president of the Boston Consult-

ing Company, American auto giants will be in "an unprecedented competitive confrontation." He expects a surplus in U.S.-based auto capacity (even assuming more American plant closings), forcing a price decline of perhaps \$1,000 for a compact car. In a letter to The Wall Street Jour-nal, Mr. Jacullo said Japanese facili-

ties "command a 15 percent cost advantage based on superior manage-

WASHINGTON — Japan's anment alone." This advantage "is not simply the result of the just-in-time inventory system and labor relations,

> In plain words, the Japanese are able to build cars in America, with American labor, and build them better and cheaper than the old-line companies in Detroit, because they have superior management. So much for the "level playing field" demand-ed by Chrysler's Lee Iscocca, who in due time may be seeking one tilted in favor of Detroit. How about a "voluntary" quota on cars shipped from Tennessee (Nissan) and Ohio (Hon-da) to the rest of the 48 states? To maintain profitability, and to

contest the upscale product mix of

the Japanese companies, the big three may have to yield a further share of the total market. They will have to make additional deals with Japanese. South Korean and other foreign producers so as to concentrate on the medium and larger cars where the bigger money is. That suggests a further winnowing-down of the size and importance of the U.S. auto industry. It is a decline that has been in the making for a long time. James Abegg-len, in "Kaisha, the Japanese Corporation," observed that by spending about 40 percent more on research and development than most Ameri-can companies, Japan has been rap-idly closing the "creativity gap" that American manufacturers thought

gave them permanent protection. Mr. Abegglen points out that the Japanese are selling cars with fourvalve engines, electronically controlled suspensions, ceramic engine components, turbochargers with in-tercollers, lightweight nonmetallic body panels and synthesized-voice hazard and diagnostic warnings. Ask about this in Detroit, and they tell you they have the technology and could do the same things but are waiting to "leapfrog" the Japanese. It sounds like whistling in the dark.

The Washington Post.

#### American Ears to the Kazakh Ground B OSTON — Kazakhstan is not your average winter tourist athas been less than helpful to the By Ellen Goodman

traction. It gets a bit nippy out there in the Soviet socialist republic in Central Asia. At last reading the temperature was minus 40 degrees.

That makes it a particularly odd place to try to thaw the current freeze in arms control. Nevertheless, on Feb. 12, two American citizens, Tom Cochran and Jacob Scherr of the Natural Resources Defense Council, are to don their donated survival gear and take some state-of-the art seismic monitoring equipment for a trip. At three points circumventing the Soviet nuclear test site, they will lower the equipment into 90-meter holes dug in the frozen ground.

Americans will stay out there, enjoying the sights of downtown Karkaraliask. On Tuesday the U.S. government carried out 1987's first nuclear test explosion. The Kremlin had said it would end its 18-monthold unilateral moratorium and resume testing after the first U.S. test of the year. When a blast goes off at the Soviet site, the visitors will be ready and able to measure its intensity down to the last few tons. . The point of this project is sim-ple. The NRDC, a nonprofit group

that defines its purpose as to pro-tect endangered natural resources and the human environment, wants

to prove that a private citizens' or-

ganization with a \$2 million budget

can do what the Pentagon with its

\$300 billion says cannot be done:

verify nuclear tests. The council

wants to prove that we can know whether and when a nuclear explo-sion has been set off, and its size. "Verification" has been the buzzword of the arms control world as long as there have been nuclear arsenals. Even in the Reagan climate, said Stan Norris, bead of the council, "in polite company you can't say you're against arms control."
What you can say, as you sagely shake your head, is that you would love to have a test ban if only you could be sure that the Soviets would keep their side of the bargain.

It turns out that with new technology you can be sure to within a few tons. "We're saying you don't have to trust the Soviets, you can have verification," Mr. Nonis said. "That's what we're proving. We've broken through the sticking point." The view in government circles was that the evil empire would never allow Americans to set up on Soviet soil, near a testing site.

nophobic Soviets never let anyone in," recalled Mr. Norris. With Mikhail Gorbachev's blessing they have not only let this bunch in but helped build the monitoring station. It has been manned by a rotating crew of scientists since June.
The Reagan administration may favor individual enterprise in promoting wars in Central America,

but it is less keen on private initia-

tive in the peace movement. And it

"They said oh, the Soviets, the xe-

Soviets who came to America for their half of an agreed exchange. Nevertheless the project has had

some political effect. The president, notoriously unencumbered by facts, may go on about Soviet cheating, but the party line these days has shifted. Americans are now told that, for safety's sake, U.S. testing must go on until the last nuclear weapon is dismantled. Some in the Reagan crowd admit the cool truth that this administration is opposed to a test ban because it wants new weapons. This stripped down reality does

not sit well with the American people. Most Americans have figured out that tests are at the center of the arms race, a race that does not fit their idea of "national security." Last year a House of Representa tives that had given up on the presi-dent as arms controller passed a bill withholding funds for nuclear testing. It is entirely possible that the new Senate will join in.

For now, private American citizens have volunteered to do time in the frozen wastes of Central Asia, hoping for some political vibrations to emanate from their seismic monitors. They warm themselves with the notion that it just might work, They just might help turn around the nuclear arms race by proving how simple it is to know what the other guy is doing. If that happens, Kazakhstan will look like the garden spot of the universe.

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IN OUR PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO 1937: Trade Complaints

1912: Parachutist Dies

PARIS - To the annals of the early martyrs to the cause of aviation is added yet another name, François Reichelt, a tailor, who had never made an ascent in either balloon or seroplane. [On Feb. 4] he was the victim of an invention over which he had worried and worked for years a parachute that he had hoped would save many an aviator's life, but which in its first descent with human freight cost the life of its inventor. With only a few newspaper correspondents and photographers as an audience, Mr. Reichelt leapt from the first platform of the Eiffel Tower to his death. The parachute, to which he had trusted his life, never even opened. Two or three times within the past few weeks M. Reichelt had experimented with

WASHINGTON - The proposal to extend the President's power to negotiste reciprocal trade pacts resulted in a sharp Republican attack in the House [on Feb. 4]. Representative Francis D. Culkin, Republican of New York, charged that Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Assistant Secretary of State Francis B. Sayre were handling trade negotiations with "a complete contempt for Congress." He charged Secretary Hull with "being impatient and unmannerly under fire. He seems to regard Congress as a logrolling, venal body incapable of intelligent action." Democratic speakers stressed the fact that trade had increased under the reciprocal pacts, against which the Republicans argued that imports had increased his invention by jumping from a more than exports and that foreign nations had benefited from the pacts more than the United States.

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# Perle Does Well to Knock Mealymouthing in NATO

By George F. Will

WASHINGTON — It is said that the Soviet call for a ban on chemical weapons. The Soviets possess them in quantity, have specialized military academies for the study of their use, train for their use and arrange their uses and arrange to fight assistant secretary of defense, abandoned diplomacy, as usually under-in the midst of such weapons. Most stood, and pelted NATO's member gov-NATO countries have no such weapons. emments with heavy rocks. For that flagrant violation of decorum Mr. Perle

shortcomings include an addiction to "mealymouthed" pronouncements that are symptomatic of political cowardice. He also said they are guilty of a "failure of forthrightness," "sotto voce murmur-ings that pass for alliance statements,"

#### The NATO communiqué became a flavorless and untrathful pudding.

fostering a climate in which "realism is subordinated to hope and policy is shaped by fear," using "halting emphe-misms" regarding Soviet noncompliance with agreements, cowering "behind bland and oblique formulations so as not to offend the sensitivities of our enemies or the prevailing wisdom of our editorial writers," conducting a "charade" that permits Soviet propaganda to succeed, issuing "misty blandishments." Mr. Perle began by illustrating the alliance's impulse "to paper over differences, avoid controversy, placate public opinion and round all corners and opinion and round all corners and smooth all sharp edges as though we were designing a Stealth airplane rather than declaring our most fundamental convictions." Recently the United States proposed that NATO say that Mikhail Gorbachev would forfeit his credibility if, having promised otherwise, he continued to hold an agreement on intermediate agreement. on intermediate-range missiles hostage

to an agreement on strategic defense.
Another NATO country's representative said: "You can't say that."

Mr. Perle: "Why not?"

Other fellow: "It just isn't done. You
don't say in a NATO communique that Gorbachev has lied."

The communique became a flavoriess—and untruthful—pudding.

NATO has responded cravenly, Mr. Perle says, to the Soviet call for an end to all nuclear testing. Without testing, con-fidence in the nuclear inventory would decline and there would be no more of the modernization that has reduced the the modernization that has reduced the number and yield of weapons in the stockpile. However, rather than explain the need for testing, NATO governments have "hidden beaund" the peripheral issue of ratification, refusing to argue what they privately acknowledge: the necessity for and benefits of testing. Or consider NATO's lame response to

their use and equip their troops to fight in the midst of such weapons. Most The United States has not produced a new or modernized chemical weapon in should be summarily ... decorated. 18 years. Production has been delayed as

He informed the allies that their Congress hopes for an arms control agreement that would obviate NATO's

need for chemical weapons.
But NATO's emphasis on venification of a chemical weapons ban is a dodge. Says Mr. Perle, "The unhappy fact is that ordinary chemical plants could be converted for the production of lethal agents in a matter of weeks," given advance planning. Such planning would, of course, be undetectable. No NATO country could make even precautionary production plans after signing a ban on chemical weapons. Yet NATO govern-ments do not put before their publics the hard facts about chemical weapons, or

about Soviet cheating on agreements.

NATO speaks of "serious concerns,"
but Mr. Perle says: "Nowhere have
I been able to find a statement deploring
the fact that the Soviets have been cheating. It is as though the words 'violation' ing. It is as though the words 'violation' and 'cheating' cannot be said in well mannered company." NATO governments find it easier to distance themselves from U.S. responses to Soviet cheating — such as abandonment of SALT-2 limits — than to condemn the cheating. Thus NATO governments make U.S. responses seem capticious.

Mr. Perie's most scathing remarks were reserved for the "absurd," "idle" and "dangerous" talk about a nuclear-free world — the sort of talk that Ronald Reagan has engaged in at the Iceland summit and elsewhere.

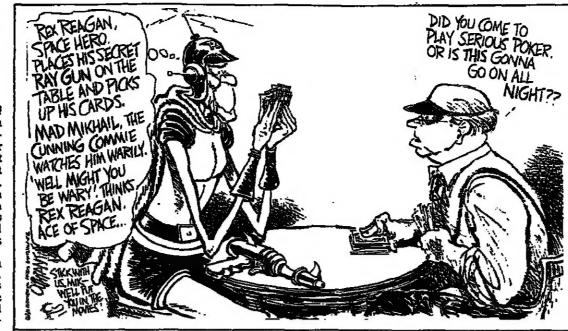
Mr. Perle says, "The verification of an

Mr. Perle says, "The verification of an agreement to abolish all nuclear weap-cas is not difficult, or very difficult: It is impossible." So, "What Western leader would turn in his country's last remain-ing nuclear weapon on the strength of assurances — mere words — that the Soviets had done the same?" As governments tacitly accept the idea of a nuclear-free world, the weapons on which

NATO representatives at the Munich meeting were indignant that Mr. Perle had injected a foreign substance, truth, into the proceedings. The White House rushed to say that Mr. Perle was not meeting for the proceeding. speaking for the president.

He may soon leave the administra-He may soon leave the administra-tion, thereby reducing by about 85 per-cent its tang and wisdom regarding arms control. Mr. Perle is undisciplined, opin-ionated, eloquent, principled, disdainful of decorum—all the things that govern-ments find indigestible and that Ameri-ca should consider indispensable.

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Proposed design of dollar to reassure foreign investors.

# Turks' Post-Chernobyl Tea Is Fine, the President Says

By Amy Schwartz

severe understatement. Served very hot on round trays in small, clear glasses, it turns up constantly and in the oddest places; on street corners, in bus stations, on the wind-whipped ferries that carry

commuters across the Bosporus. On my first visit to Turkey two years ago. I spent considerable time trying to figure out where all this freshly brewed tea was coming from. You could be

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standing in an electrical supply store pricing a heater, or sitting at midnight on the Greek-Turkish border in a freez-ing train where there had been no food or drink available for the past six hours, and suddenly the mustachioed man on your right would say to you, "Cay?" You needed, he slipped a hand, and 30 seconds later a little boy would appear with a tray, impossible to mass-produce or drink on the run, tea suits the stillpersonal pace of this otherwise swiftly modernizing country. And it suits most Turks, who drank, until recently, an av-

erage of 15 to 20 glasses a day.

All that has changed. Everyone re members that the clouds from Chernobyl drifted west and north over Scandinavia; but another cloud a few days later went southwest and produced rain. In two regions in the Greek-Turkish border area of Thrace, where there are several large cities including Istanbul, urgent warnings were broadcast. People stayed indoors, stopped drinking milk, scraped off their shoes after getting them wet. No such notice was taken in the more rural and inaccessible east, where it

the white under-achievers to pull them-

selves together and learn in school in-stead of just muddling through. In that case the United States could count the

Asians' presence as a double blessing.

Who Helps the Homeless?

This is International Year of the Sin-

gle Homeless. I work in a night shelter

for homeless men and would very much like to hear from anyone who works with

homeless people. I hope to start up an

international newsletter about the work

done in different countries. Globally

East Orleans, Massachusetts.

B. SAUER.

I STANBUL — To say that ten is Turrained along the Black Sea coast and onto Turkey's national pleasure would be a tea, nuts and tobacco.

In early December the Istanbul daily Cumhuriyet, acting on tips that some exported tea had been rejected abroad, sent samples to a West Berlin technical institute for testing and bannered the results on its front page: Radioactivity

levels in the tea were "dangerously high," and no one should drink it. The controversy that followed was deafening. The Turkish government declared that the tea was safe, and experts went on state-run television with facts and figures to support that. But the newspapers continued to clamor, and schools and offices started banning tea from their cafeterias. Some experts said that tea was fine if you drank no more

than five glasses per day.

Much of the small upper class began drinking hugely expensive imported tea.

Others accused the state of declaring that tea was safe to protect the livelihood of farmers. Late in December, President Kenan Evren issued a second statement: New tests found the tea to be clean, and he was drinking it himself.

An English-language paper ran the story on page one next to another saying that the Middle East Technical Institute in Ankara had advised children and pregnant women to avoid tea. Since then there has been a story a day: This shipment is safe, that one has been thrown out, a company has canceled a harvest. The country is in a spasm. It is like

watching five million people simulta-neously trying to quit smoking. Back-sliding and cheating are endemic. Those who work at places where tea is banned admit that they drink it at home.

Denial of any threat is made easier by the government stance. "Why should I worry," a bazaar merchant asked me, "if our president drinks it himself?"

Nowadays Turks will offer you Nes-cale, or Turkish coffee, or "tea that I've had for a long time, since last year at least." But they sulk if you accept. Turk-ish coffee is no good for chain-sipping all day, and it takes ages to brew.

An occasional Coke bottle has been spotted, but the most likely long-term response to the situation will be a sort of society-wide self-induced amnesia. The still substantial part of the population that is illiterate may follow the promptings of its television sets, but more so-phisticated and educated Turks are striking compromises and bargaining away dangers with the beleaguered aplomb of two-pack-a-day smokers.

"I still drink it, a little bit, but only at

breakfast," a newspaper editor told me, "and besides, I smoke less, so it balances out." Across the room from him the deputy editor was smiling without ap-parent irony and using one hand to hide the color of the illicit liquid in her glass.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### South Pacific Nuances

In response to "A Modest Request for a Nuclear-Free South Pacific" (Jan. 17) by Rawdon Dalrymple, Australia's ambassa-dor to the United States:

Indeed, the Soviet Union is so far the only nuclear-weapon power to have signed the protocols to the 1985 treaty for a South Pacific nuclear-free zone. But it did so with substantial reservations. Allowance of transit of nuclear weapons, as well as of visits by ships or aircraft with such weapons on board, would, in the Soviet view, contradict the aims of the treaty and thus be inconsistent with the status of the zone. This statement amounts to an outright rejec-tion of Article 5 of the treaty, which expressly allows such transit and visits.

Moreover, the Soviet Union formally warned that in case of violation of the zonal commitments by any of the par-ties, it would consider itself free of the assumed obligation not to use or threat-en to use nuclear weapons against the states of the zone. It thereby reneged on Protecting Guns' Image The report "U.S. Media Faced Dilemma on Coverage of Snicide" (Jan. 24)
missed the mark. The real reason for not
showing R. Budd Dwyer's suicide was
surely not ethical, but rather the televisolemn assurances not to be the first to

use nuclear weapons against any country. This action debilitates the treaty. JOZEF GOLDBLAT.

Flee the Benighted Tribes Regarding "The Thugs Are Going Scot-Free" (Jan. 28) by Drew Middleton:

Hurrah! After all the pusillanimous, infantile gibberish that one reads about the benighted tribes of the Middle East, Drew Middleton's opinion column was like a green shoot in a waterless desert. You cannot reason with mystics or say ages. All civilized human beings should leave these Dark Age countries, or take the consequences, Period.

DOROTHY J. YOUNG.

#### thus aroused might spread to affect ratings of the many lucrative programs that depict shootings and other violence.

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Asian-American Blessings How about these impudent Oriental immigrant children who have the nerve to earn better high school grades than the white children, and therefore go to college and get good jobs! ("Asian-Americans Say Schools Discriminate Against Them," Jan. 20, by Robert Lind-sey.) Maybe this situation will motivate

regret that checks in other currencies cannot be accepted.)

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think we could all get together and share our experiences to deepen our on-derstanding of the homeless problem. CATHERINE MULLAN. St. James Shelter. 100 Bernard Street.

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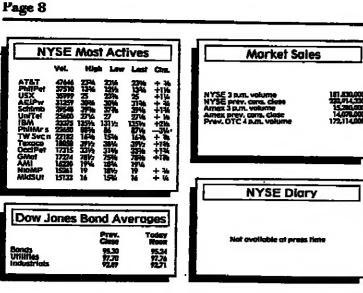
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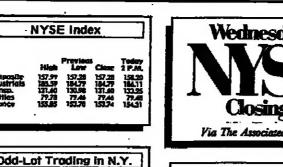


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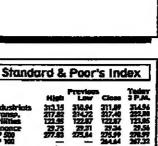
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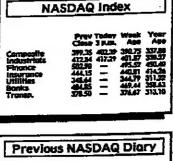


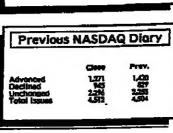


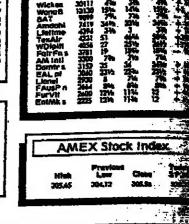












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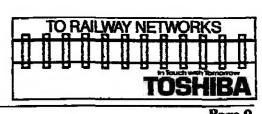
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WALL STREET WATCH

# Could the Market's Party End With a '29-Size Bang?

By MICHAEL A. HILTZIK Los Angeles Times Service

EW YORK — On Wall Street, it seems that the longer a party goes on, the more people wonder when it will end. Given the high-flying but skitnish performance of the stock market in its latest rally, some observers of the market are wondering whether the rally of 1987 will end in the world of 1929.

As the bull market continues its show of extraordinary strength, market analysts and economists have been searching through statistics and records for parallels to the emphoric market of the late 1920s.

The search gathered some urgency on Friday, Jan. 23, when the Dow Jones industrial average

climbed 64 points by midday before taking its longest, fastest tumble ever in the following 71 minutes — a 116-point free-fall that stunned investors, analysis and traders

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Few are predicting a crash soon, but then, few did 58 years ago.

Since then, the market has generally pursued its rise, al-

though the Dow industrial average fell 10.97 on Tuesday to 2,168.45. The persistent strength may be due to the fact that history-minded investors quickly discovered that similar wild blow-offs in the past had not immediately led to market reversals. But Jan. 23 underscored the vulnerability of the modern stock

market to sudden, almost incomprehensible movement.

Few market professionals are predicting a major crash in the stock market anytime soon. But that is not necessarily a comfort, because almost no one predicted the stock market crash of 1929. Anyone who expressed even faint misgivings quickly found himself buried under optimistic rebuttals by brokers, financiers, and politicians who sounded eminently reasonable at the time, only to appear ludicrously irresponsible today.

OR EXAMPLE, Irving Fisher, a Yale professor, made this famous pronouncement in September 1939. famous pronouncement in September 1929: "Stock prices have reached what looks like a permanently high platean." Still, today even some leading bulls are saying that the rally has come so far, so fast, that when the inevitable bear market comes it is likely to be a long and painful one.

"I think we have nearly a doubling of the Dow left," that is, to nearly 4,000 points, said Robert Prechter, one of the more successful market analysts of the 1980s. Mr. Prechter, editor of the Elliott Wave Theorist newsletter in Gainesville, Georgia, predicted that the downturn would come in late 1988 or early 1989 and that it would be serious.

Others agree that the end of the bull market is visible, if distantly. Some also argue that the stock market today is such a volatile, highly automated and global repository of capital that no one can predict that some unexpected development will not shock it into a major reversal.

"If we were to have a speculative blowout and crash, I think the cause would be something new and unfamiliar," said Allen Sinai, chief economist for the investment firm of Shearson Lehman Brothers. "But something could crop up. Suppose we had a minus 300-point day on the Dow? That would provoke such an exodus that if there is such a risk, something ought to be done about it."
The rally of the 1920s carried the Dow industrial average up by

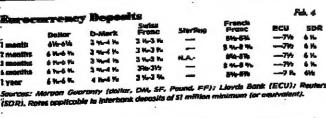
500 percent starting in August 1921. It ended on Oct. 24, 1929, with a crash so shocking and, to the great mass of investors, so unexpected that to this day it has the capacity to cast a mythic shadow over the market.

Despite its obvious strength, the current bull market has not yet matched the magnitude of the '20s rally or of the strong postwar rally that ended in 1966. Since August 1982, the start of See MARKET, Page 11

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# **Buy Out** Of Robins Is Offered

#### **Delay Sought** In Court Čase

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches RICHMOND, Virginia — A.H. Robins Co. said Wednesday that it had received a "significant" buyout proposal from American Home Products Corp., and that it would ask a federal judge to extend the deadline for its bankruptcy reorga-nization plan so it could study the

American Home Products is New York-based consumer prod-ucts and pharmaceuticals manufac-turer that had sales of \$4.9 billion

Robins, which is in the midst of Chapter 11 proceedings related to lawsuits over its Dalkon Shield contraceptive device, said that it had received the proposal late Tuesday. Details were not dis-

U.S. District Judge Robert R. Merhige Jr. had ordered Robins to submit a reorganization plan in its Chapter II case by Thursday. Roscoe Puckett Jr., manager of public information at Robins, said

the court-appointed examiner in the case, Raiph R. Mabey, would request a 14-day extension of that deadline to allow time for the company's management and board of directors to consider the American Home proposal."

The proposal included a provision for compensating creditors in the case, Mr. Puckett said.

American Home Products. whose three major fields are prescription drugs, packaged medi-cines and food and household products, carped almost \$779 million in 1986, up 8.6 percent from \$717.1 million in 1985. Revenues grew 4.7 percent from \$4.7 billion.

Robins said Tuesday that its net income for the three months ended Dec. 31 had jumped 94 percent to \$26.16 million, or \$1.08 a share, compared with \$13.46 million, or 55 cents a share, in the comparable 1985 period. Sales totaled \$210.79 million versus \$186.05 million, a 13

percent increase. Robins filed for reorganization in August 1985 in the wake of thou-sands of lawsuits filed by women claiming injury from the Dalkon Stield, an intrauterine device mar

keted internationally in the 1970s. At the time Robins sought banky protection, it had paid out more than \$378 million to settle 9,230 strits. An additional 5,000

claims were pending.

Robins has received several extensions in the past on its reorganization deadline because the company has been unable to determine now much it would cost to settle the

# U.K. Probe Of Standard To Be Made

LONDON — Standard Char-tered PLC said Wednesday that it had asked the Bank of England to carry out an investigation into its defense against a takeover bid from Lloyds Bank PLC last July.

It said the request was made in response to press speculation that has suggested the bank illegally lent money to buyers of its shares to ward off the £1.3 billion (\$2 billion) bid. Standard Chartered has denied the allegations.

A spokesman for the Bank of England said the central bank would appoint inspectors to inves-

tigate the takeover attempt.

Standard said it had asked the Bank of England to investigate "in The statement said a Financial

Times article contained "a wholly untrue statement that loans were approved as part of a share support operation." A spokesman for the Department of Trade and Industry said it

had no evidence to warrant a probe into possible wrongdoing by Stan-dard during the Lloyds bid. The concerns surrounding Stan-dard Chartered have similarities with those in the Guinness PLC affair, industry sources said. The

government has been conducting an investigation into Guinness since the beginning of December. The department has never disclosed the full details of its probe, but public concern has focused on the way in which Guinness may have encouraged associates to buy its shares during its successful bid

for Distillers Co. last April. Department officials said a case against Standard could be pursued if evidence emerged of breaches of the Companies Act, which prohibits companies from giving financial assistance for the purchase of their

own shares in most cases. Bank share analysts said it would be extremely difficult for British authorities to establish whether an illegal share-purchasing operation had been carried out. The parties cited in press reports as receiving loans from Standard during the bid were customers who had borrowed



How the Caribbean Basin Countries Have Fared

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# Caribbean Struggles to Fathom U.S.

Tariffs Betray a Promise to Boost Region's Imports By Clyde H. Farnsworth

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - For Fathom Dive Suits Co. of Orlando, Florida, President Ronald Reagan's Caribbean Basin Initiative seemed just the right opportuni-ty to start manufacturing rubber wet suits on the island of St.

The CBI, whose cornerstone is the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act of 1983, sought to bring prosperity to a host of Cen-tral American and Caribbean nations primarily by removing U.S. duties on their exports.

The act retained tariffs on

only a handful of product categories, including apparel. Larry Peria, Fathom's president, did not think that rubber wet suits could possibly count as apparel. So he opened a factory on St.

Lucia, hired 100 workers and began turning out wet suits for sale in the States at a retail price of \$350 to \$400, hotly competitive with the prices of comparable suits from Taiwan.

But two years later, the U.S. Customs Service ruled that rubber wet suits were indeed apparel and imposed a 10.5 percent duty

on the wholesale prices of Fathom suits, driving up the retail price by about \$15 and curbing the cost advantage.

by 23 percent from 1983, before CBI was in place, to 1985. Figures for the first nine months of 1986, the latest available, show a

the cost advantage.
"We were really shocked," said Mr. Peda, who continues to manufacture on the island. Leonard L Rosenberg, Fathom's lawyer, is appealing the decision, but says that it "should make

> Officials have a limited attention span for Caribbean economics.

other people think twice before investing in the Caribbean. The Fathom experience, and others like it, help to explain why the CBL, which was billed by the Reagan administration as the most dramatic step ever taken in conomic aid for the region, has failed to meet its initial promise.

Instead of rising, exports to the United States from the countries covered by the CBI declined

further decline of 9 percent.

Estimated economic growth in the region averaged a modest 2 percent last year, a reversal of the declines of the recent past but still below the population growth rate. So per-capita income con-tinues to decline. "We're concerned that CBI is

losing its momentum," said Peter B. Johnson, executive director of Caribbean-Central American Action, an organization of American and Caribbean businesses. "This is the kind of program where if you're not moving forward, you're moving backwards because of the pressures."

Clayton K. Yeutter, the U.S.

trade representative, and others in the administration concede that there have been shortcomings. The lack of progress "is certainly disappointing to a lot of the folks in the Caribbean Basin who had high hopes for the program," he said.

But, he added, "It takes a long See CARIBBEAN, Page 13

# Japanese Goods Assembled in EC **May Face Duties**

BRUSSELS - The European Community's executive Commission plans to impose anti-dumping duties on a number of products assembled by Japanese companies in Europe from cheap, imported components, EC sources said here Wednesday.

The sources said the commission would announce its decision this

The sources said the commission was also proposing a 20 percent definitive duty on imports of Japa-nese photocopiers, in the biggest action of its kind so far.

If approved by the Council of Ministers, the measures seem certain to anger Japan, whose power-ful grouping of business associa-tions. Keidanren, has already written to the commission in pro-

test, diplomats said. In 1986, Japan registered a re-cord merchandise-trade surplus with the EC of 2.82 trillion yen (\$18.5 billion at current rates).

The proposed measures aim to stop the proliferation of what are known as "screwdriver" assembly plants set up by Japanese compa-nies in the 12 EC member states to circumvent anti-dumping duties imposed by the EC on their finished products, the sources said.

The new measures would affect components used for making all the products covered by EC antidumping duties.

Japanese companies are, however, the main targets of European manufacturers, who complain that the Japanese sell products at an unfairly low price to drive Europe-

an companies from the market.
Under the new proposal, the sources said, no fixed rate of duty would be set. Instead the commission would propose a case-by-case approach, taking action when an EC subsidiary of a Japanese company was believed to be avoiding anti-dumping duties by boosting production in the EC.

Definitive or provisional antidumping measures have been imposed on Japanese electronic typewriters, microwave ovens, outboard motors and ball bearings. The duties on photocopiers

EC Fines Hoechst For Obstructing Prices Inquiry

BRUSSELS — The Europe-an Community told Hoechst AG on Wednesday that it would be fined the equivalent of \$1,160 each day it continued to bar inspectors from checking its books as part of a communi-

tywide inquiry into price fixing. The EC's executive Commis-sion gave the West German government 15 days to explain why it did not prevent Hoechst. the chemicals concern, from hindering the inquiry on prices of PVC and polyethylene.

On Jan. 20, EC inspectors raided offices of eight chemical companies in various EC countries, including those of Hoechst near Frankfurt.

But Hoechst got a local court order barring inspectors from checking its books.

would replace provisional duties of 15.8 percent imposed last year. The commission's proposal is an attempt to protect the few remaining EC companies that account for only 15 percent of a community market that is worth more than \$1 billion a year and is dominated by the Japanese.

The sources said, however, duties on three Japanese companies would be more moderate because their margins were lower than those of others. Copyer Co. faced 7.2 percent, Mita Industrial Co. 12.6 percent and Toshiba 10.1 percent. The commission is also consider-ing anti-dumping duties on Japanese semiconductors.

The sources noted that the proposals might divide the EC ministers. Some countries are concerned about the danger of impeding genuine Japanese investment and of preventing EC companies from obning Japanese technology.
(AFP, Resters)

# Soviets Press Joint Ventures at Western Forum

By Axel Krause

DAVOS, Switzerland - A highlevel delegation swept into a Western business seminar Wednesday to sell the Soviet Union's new policy on joint ventures, but some of the executives reacted skeptically.

"Many companies are already trying to exploit this bonanza," de-clared Ivan Ivanov, first deputy president of the Soviet State For-eign Economic Commission, in a nomic Forum. "We are encourag-ing others to also take advantage of the joint venture law."

But several of the participants' questions, on details ranging from the repatriation of profits to the hiring and firing of Soviet workers, were incompletely answered.

Mr. Ivanov, who was identified for developing the company's pro-as the architect of the new joint duction capacity and technology. venture law, said that about 100

aimed at strengthening and liberal-izing the economy, will allow foreigners to hold equity in Soviet industry for the first time.

The law requires a 51 percent Soviet interest in the joint ventures. Mr. Ivanov said that three agreements recently were signed, including accords with Finnish compa-nies to help construct a plastics speech before 600 business leaders at a symposium of the World Economic Forms "Manufacturing plant and to modernize a hotel in central Moscow. West Germany has signed an

Mr. Ivanov and other Soviet officials, who were attending the Devos symposium for the first time, said that foreign partners in joint ventures would be allowed to repa-"He made it sound so simple, triate at least 56 percent of their net and it isn't," said a West German profits. But the net would be calcu-

The joint ventures will not be companies from the United States, required to pay any corporate in-Western Europe, India and Japan come tax during the first two years, had begun talks with the Soviet Mr. Ivanov said. But he empha-Union on establishing such ven- sized repeatedly that many details

tures since the law went into effect remained to be negotiated and Jan. 1. and foreign companies.

Pierre Desprairies, former chairman of the French Petroleum Insti-tute and for 18 years an oil executive with Elf-Aquitzine, the French state-controlled oil company, commented, "We have had previous talks for cooperative ventures with the Soviets in the field of oil and gas, but they have not proven suc-

"The new proposals certainly sound interesting," he said, "but the Soviets appear divided among themselves about how far they are willing to go with implementing these ventures." An overriding priority, the Sovi-et officials said, would be to estab-

amount of foreign currency generated by a venture and the amount invested by a Western partner. That requirement already has

been questioned by American companies. They have argued that the all cities" because "some do not yet rule appears to orient ventures to-ward exports, with only limited ac-

lish "a balance" between the

cess to the domestic market of the Soviet Union.

"There is a clear orientation to expanding the Soviet Union's ex-ports," Mr. Ivanov acknowledged at a news conference, "but also to establishing competition between the ventures and domestic enterprises. That means providing access to our markets."

Responding to questions, Mr. lvanov also made the following

 Labor relations, including the hiring and firing of workers and payment and incentive schemes, will be decided by the Soviet and foreign participants. But the chairman of the board and chief executive of the venture must be Soviet citizens, and the Communist Party and labor unions will be allowed to function within joint manufactur-

• Representatives will be allowed to travel within the Soviet Union to meet their Soviet business counterparts, but "perhaps not to

#### Bonn, in Turn, Rebuffs U.S. on Airbus Subsidies

BONN - U.S. envoys sent to Europe to complain about alleged unfair competition from the Airbus Industrie consor-tium ended their tour Wednesday with the sides still at odds, West German officials said.

The deputy trade representative, Michael B. Smith, and the undersecretary of commerce, Bruce Smart, tried to persuade Britain, France and West Ger-many that subsidies paid or proposed for Airbus aircraft are too high. Spain is the other partner in the consortium.

Bonn's Economics Ministry said the two sides repeated their positions Wednesday, with the Americans criticizing aid to Airbus and the Germans saying the subsidies conformed to accepted trade rules.

The quarrel centers on potential development aid for a longrange plane, the A-340.



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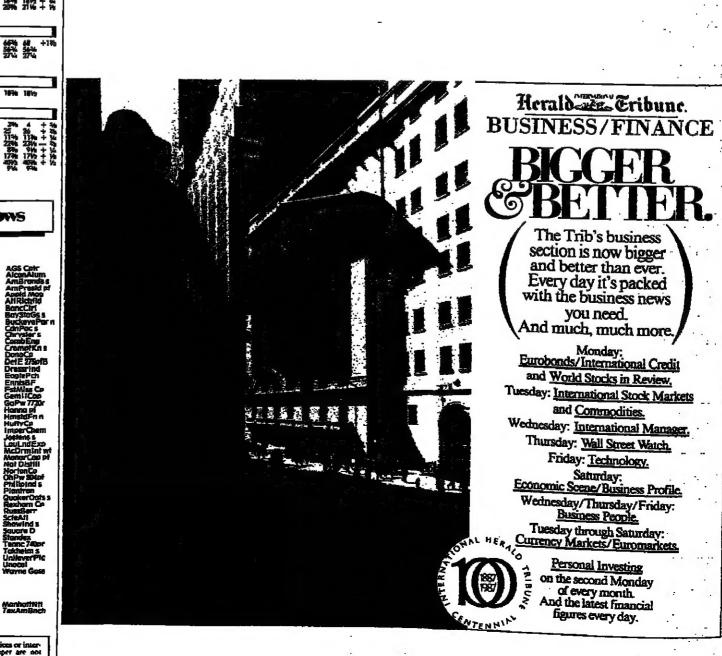
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# 4 USX Steel Plants to Remain Idle

will remain idle indefinitely because of the six-month work stop- largest U.S. steelmaker holds. page the United Steelworkers union ended Saturday.

starting equipment was a large fac- four-year contract. for in not resuming production at and nearby Saxonburg

Mr. Roderick said the company had warned that this might be necessary before 22,000 union mem-

bers walked off the job Aug. 1. The cutbacks will trim the steel- in the company.

# MCA Buys Stake In Toy Maker

New York Times Service NEW YORK - MCA Inc. parent of Universal Pictures and Universal Television, has bought 9 percent of Coleco industries, the third-largest U.S. toy maker, for \$20 million,
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stock for investment purposes only and that it would not buy any more shares without Coleco's permission for eight years. But one media executive said Tuesday that "it seemed unlikely they would not ultimately try to buy the whole company."

Coleco, hurt by sagging sales of its Cabbage Patch Kid dolls, has forecast a "very large loss" for the fourth quarter and 1986.

PITTSBURGH — USX Corp. gets out of the market, the more thirds of USX's annual sales, postsaid Wednesday that four steel that supply and demand comes ed operating income of only \$42 plants, employing 3,700 people, into balance," Mr. Roderick said at million in 1986, down from \$1.64 the quarterly news conference the billion the year before.

man of USX, said the cost of re- resuming after ratification of a mid-or low-60s this year.

plants in Orem. Utah: Baytown, report that USX had offered to write-downs contributed \$1.5 bil-Texas; McKeesport, Pennsylvania, report that 29.3 million shares Roderick repeated his vow that \$600 million per year or more.

USX would not pay "greenmail"

He said USX would create a

making capacity of USX from 26 Mr. Roderick said USX foresees will enable USX to pursue discus-

The equally depressed steel mar-He claimed that USX would re-ket will continue to decline, he pregain its 17 percent share of the U.S. dicted, with 1987 shipments down David M. Roderick, the chair- market now that work was being by 2 million or 3 million tons to the

Restructuring costs, charges for Mr. Roderick denied a published closing plants and oil inventory of common stock held by Carl C. Mr. Roderick said those changes Icahn, the New York investor. Mr. would improve pretax income by

USX would not pay "greenmail"

He said USX would create a for Mr. Icahn's 11.4 percent stake free-standing subsidiary of its steel division sometime this year. That million tons (23.4 metric tons) a some improvement in the desions of a possible joint venture or year to 19 million tons.

# Electronic Data, Olivetti Form a Computer Venture

The Associated Press DETROIT - Electronic Data Systems Corp. and Oliverti & Co.

have formed a joint-venture company to offer computerized engineering and manufacturing systems in Europe, the companies announced. The new company, based in Milan, will be called Integrated Systems Management, the parent companies said Tuesday in a statement. Each will hold a 50 percent interest in the venture.

The companies estimated that the market would be worth \$15

Olivetti, which employs 50,000 people, is a leading producer of information-technology systems and the leading European manufac-turer of professional personal computers.

EDS, based in Dallas, is the world's largest computer services company, with 45,000 employees in 24 countries. It was founded by H. Ross Perot and acquired by General Motors Corp. for \$2.55 billion

# 16-Megabit Chip's Unveiling Expected

The Associated Press ing a memory chip that is two gen-erations ahead of the most sophistierations ahead of the most sophisticated chips now commercially self, but licenses its technology to English text. That is 16 times the available, according to business

SOurces, Details of NT&T's progress on the 16-megabit memory chip will be revealed Feb. 25 in New York at the annual International Solid

An NT&T spokesman said the company would not comment before the conference.

The Associated Press

Chip is not likely to reach the marNEW YORK — Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. plans to
announce this month that it has

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> companies that manufacture semiconductors. The United States has lost more than 90 percent of the memory chip

market to Japan. U.S. chip makers had hoped to get back into the race State Circuits Conference, the con-by skipping ahead to more ad-ference organizer, Lewis Winner, vanced generations of chips. but NT&T's advance seems to have put that strategy in jeopardy.

product," said Philip Goodman, an Although a 16-megabit dynamic analyst for Duff and Phelps Inc. in random access memory (DRAM) Chicago. He added, though, that to a company spokesman.

A 16-megabit memory chip can hold 16 million bits of information capacity of the 1-megabit chip, which is just beginning to be mass produced this year.

Between the 1-megabit and the 16-megabit is the 4-megabit chip. Texas Instruments Inc. of Dallas, which claims to have been the first to develop a working model of the 4-megabit chip, announced it at last year's conference.

A Texas Instruments spokesman said Tuesday his company does not have a working model of a 16-

megabit chip. International Business Machines Corp. will present its first paper on a 4-megabit chip at this year's conference, according

The 16-megabit chip will pack onto a single sliver of silicon twice as much information as memory storage devices of the 1950s.

In addition to saving room, the advanced chips make work go faster because they allow a computer to get information almost instantaonsly from the chip instead of having to retrieve it from a disk.

NT&T's new chip is expected to have circuits measuring as little has one-half of a millionth of a meter across. A human hair is about 150 times thicker.

#### **BUSINESS PEOPLE**

# **Xerox Shuffles Its Insurance Unit**

By Arthur Higbee
International Herald Tribune

Xerox Corp. has announced a management reorganization at Crum & Forster Inc., its insurance subsidiary, starting with Sidney F. Wentz, who was promoted to chairman and chief executive from pres-

ident and chief operating officer. Mr. Wentz, 54, replaces Melvin Howard, 52, chairman and chief executive of Xerox Financial Services Co., who relinquished his positions as chairman and chief executive of Crum & Forster.

In addition, Robert J. Vairo, 56, succeeds Mr. Wentz as president and chief operating officer. He was head of Crum & Forster Under-writing Group, which writes commercial insurance.

Mr. Howard, who is a vice chair man of Xerox in addition to his other duties, will remain with Crum & Forster as chairman of the execu-

Mr. Howard pointed out that he had been serving in two areas - in financial services and insurance. He told The New York Times that "it was our view" that he should be able to devote more time to financial services."

New Jersey, include leasing, investment banking and joint ventures.

Xerox said John J. McGinty, 51, Crum & Forster's vice chairman and chief financial officer, would Stamford, Connecticut, in a senior Harvard Law School. manatement post

Shamrock Picks Veteran Oilmen

New York Times Service NEW YORK - The men named this week by Diamond Shamrock Corp. to head the two companies into which it intends to break itself are relatively new to Shamrock but long on experience. The split is designed to resist a takeover bid led by T. Boone Pickens.

Charles L. Blackburn, 59, af-ter 34 years at Shell, came to Shamrock in Dallas last fall to run exploration and production. He was named corporate president and chief executive Sunday, and will become chairman, succeeding William H. Bricker in all three posts, after the spinoff is completed. Mr. Bricker, 55, is retiring.

Roger B. Hemminghaus, 50, with 14 years at Exxon, will continue to run the spun-off refining and marketing unit.

Xerox's financial services, with Xerox profits. Financial services, headquarters in Morris Township, including Crum & Forster, accounted for 47 percent of Xerox's profit last year, Mr. Howard said.

Mr. Wentz joined Crum & Forster 20 years ago as general counsel. and chief financial officer, would he was elected president in 1973. return to Xerox headquarters in He is a graduate of Princeton and Stamford Connecticut in a senior.

recent years. Two years ago, the and chief executive of its subsidegan Guaranty's mergers and acqui-insurance unit turned around, and iary, J.W. Robinson Co. departations group in New York.

ment stores of California, and that other changes were possible. It did not claborate. Robinson was one of the chains May acquired last year when it purchased Associated Dry Goods Corp. of New York. May said Mr. Roach, 43, would be replaced at Robinson by Robert L. Mettler, 46, who runs a chain of May stores in Indianapolis.

The Brazilian Coffee Institute in Brasilia said Jorio Dauster, a career diplomat, had been nominated as its president by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, replacing Paulo Graciano, who has resigned Mr. Dauster, 50, an economist with more than 20 years of experience in negotiating world coffee agreements, currently heads the institute's London office. Antonio Manuel de Carvalho, head of the Santos Coffee Association, said the appointment of Mr. Dauster would strengthen Brazil's voice in international debate over the re-introduction of export quotas for each country.

Gibson Greetings Inc. of Cincin-nati has given its president, Benja-min J. Sottile, 47, the additional title of chief executive officer, sucis now contributing significantly to ceeding Thomas M. Cooney, who will be 61 on Saturday, and who

Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has promoted Thomas B. Ketchum to senior vice presiup from general manager of Morgan's Hong Kong office, will re-main there, with responsibility for all of the bank's business in the Crum & Forster had suffered along with the rest of the property and liability insurance industry in L. Roach had resigned as president who has been transferred to Mor-

# Cars From Romania May Be Sold in U.S.

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would have a port-of-entry price of around \$4,300, officials said. The Oitcit would carry the low-

The vehicles have not yet received federal regulatory approval as meeting U.S. safety and pollu-

Roman Motor is awaiting a first Romania in the spring, spokesmen said. The company expects that about 30,000 vehicles will be offered for sale in the first 12 months,

# Dresdner Bank Raises Stake In Metallgesellschaft to 33%

FRANKFURT - Dresdner Bank AG has doubled its stake in Metallgesellschaft AG to 33 percent by assuming full ownership of a holding company, GMW Gesellschaft für Metallwerke, a bank spokesman said Wednesday. Dresdner raised its share in GMW from 50 percent by buying the

half previously owned by Afro American Investment Holding Co., based in the Cayman Islands. A spokesman for the West German Federal Cartel Office said Dresduer applied for approval Tuesday to raise its stake in Metalige

sellschaft, the metal and mineral company, which he said indicated that the bank intended to hold the shares for longer than one year. He said approval was required for holdings of more than 25 percent. A bank may hold more for up to a year, but must obtain approval if it wants to hold it longer or to exercise voting rights. A decision from the Cartel Office is expected in a few months.

# LAS VEGAS — A new auto ports from less-developed nations. Ronald Joseph, an assistant to Rocompany plans to import low-cost cars, trucks and untility vehicles from Romania to the United States because this year. It would mark the first of the Communist nations low affiliate in the Northeast.

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Roman Motor Corp. of Miami inexpensive cars from such sources

The new vehicles, based on models manufactured in Romania, range from a three-door hatchback disclosed its plans to car dealers at as South Korea, Brazil and Yugo- with a 1.5-liter engine called the

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at first in the Northeast and South. The vehicles will be imported under an arrangement involving Mar-mies of France and Sveltec of Switzerland, which act as distribution agents for Romanian exports,

#### COMPANY NOTES

Benetton SPA, the Italian clothing group, said it plans to issue U.S. depository receipts, probably within

a month, as a preliminary step toward an equity offering and stock market listing in the United States in 1988. Clabir Corp. of the United States said it had raised its stake in Atlantic Research Corp. to 13.3 percent, by buying 100,000 common shares between Jan. 28 and Jan. 30, and that it had started a legal challenge to Atlantic Research's agreement to buy Ori Group Inc. for \$58.2 million.

Columbia Pictures Industries Inc., a subsidiary of Coca-Cola Co., said it had bought the privately held Al Gallico Music Corp., whose copyrights emphasize country-oriented music and rock'n'roll classics. Terms

Combustion Engineering Inc. of Stamford, Connecticut, said it had signed a letter of intent to establish a joint venture to improve industrial productivity and production facilities for processing oil and petrochemicals in the Soviet Union.

Derby Refining Co., a subsidiary of Coastal Corp., said it was suspending operations at its El Dorado, Kansas, refinery because of the U.S. government's failure to set a floor price for crude oil and impose tariffs on refined product imports.

Cie. de Fives-Lille, the French machinery and industrial equipment manufacturer, said it intended to acquire Stein Heurtey SA, the industrial furnace manufacturing subsidiary of Midland-Ross Corp. of the

Isuzu Motors Ltd. and Lotus Car Cos. of Britain have a 10-year agreement for Isuzu to supply compo-nents, including engines, for new Lotus sports cars, while Lotus will provide suspension tuning technology

Johnson & Johnson, the U.S. pharmaceutical and medical equipment company, said unexpected costs from the sale of its diagnostic imaging business, completed last August, would result in an additional \$45 million after-tax charge against fourth-quarter earnings.

### MARKET: Chances of a Crash?

(Continued from first finance page) 1973, "they took away some of the the current bull market, the Dow has risen by about 180 percent. The market of 1928-29 was char-

acterized by excessive speculation, based on the public's assumption that stock prices would continue to head up; the ability to buy stock on \$2 option." very low down payment, or margin, meaning that even a modest downmrn would wipe out investors' holdings and inspire panic selling. and a feeling of prosperity born of years of economic expansion and a receding memory of recessions

Some analysts believe that the rapid innovations in the financial markets of the past few years may be allowing similar speculation to take place under novel guises.

"When they invented stock options," which were first traded in dex.

speculative action from the Ameri-can Stock Exchange," said William M. LeFevre, market strategist for Advest, an investment concern based in Hartford, Connecticut.

People who want to speculate even more have moved to stock index futures. These instruments are, in essence, bets on the course of certain widely followed stock indexes over a fixed period of time.

"People who used to speculate by

buying a \$2 stock are now buying a

The futures play a big role in program trading, the computerized process by which large investors buy and sell millions of dollars in stocks based on whether the price of a future has moved higher or lower than the corresponding in-

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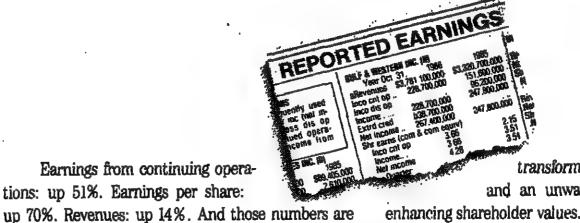
79th ordinary general meeting of share-bolders will be held on February 19. 1987 in Osaka, Japan.

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in a letter to Treasury Secretary James A. Baker 3d, they urged the

administration, in effect, to press

Japan to raise prices on cars it sells

in the United States. The letter,

dated Jan. 21, was made public

administration to conduct a 60-day

study on why the currency changes have produced so little change in

America's trade deficit with Japan. In theory, the weakening of the dollar against the yen should make

Japanese imports more expensive.

But according to estimates by

Chrysler economists, prices of imported Japanese autos have in-

creased 17 percent since September

1985, while the yen has appreciated 58 percent against the dollar. The United States' automotive

trade deficit with Japan, which in

cludes cars, trucks and auto parts,

totaled \$33 billion in 1986. Chrys-

ler economists have estimated it will total at least \$40 billion this

year. The total U.S. merchandise-

trade deficit with Japan was \$58.6

U.S. automakers have raised

rices, too, since September 1985.

The average increases ranged from

4.3 percent to just over 8 percent.
The letter, signed by Donald E.
Petersen, chairman of Ford; Roger
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# **CURRENCY MARKETS**

# Dollar Up Amid European Caution

LONDON — The dollar closed firmer Wednesday, but off the day's highs amid cantious senti-ment that recent economic figures might indicate a sustained upturn in the U.S. economy, dealers said.

Traders also were wary of pushing the U.S. currency lower as speculation continued about a possible meeting of Group of Five ministers, they said.

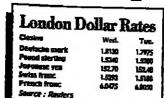
In London, the dollar closed at 1.8130 Deutsche marks, well off its high for the day of 1.8215 DM but up from its close Tuesday of 1.7975. Fluctuations against the yeu were less marked, and the dollar ended at 152.70 yeu, up from 152.40 Tuesday.

The British pound also fell against the dollar, to \$1.5240 from

Dealers said they expected the dollar to hold to its current range as ed," one dealer with a British bank the market awaits fresh direction from the release Friday of U.S.

from the release Friday on employment data for January.

The dollar was quoted slightly higher at midday in New York at ployment figures on Friday. Most receasers predict that unemploya narrow range in the absence of any fresh factors during a dull morning session, dealers there said. Dealers in London said that the farm payrolls rising by about Zurich at 1.5335 Swiss francs, up from 1.5128.



dicators for December and the better-than expected factory goods orders prompted some belated shortcovering Wednesday after the market's test of the dollar's underlying support Tuesday.

But dealers said they believed that the market was not yet fully convinced that the dollar had seen its lows, and they predicted that the currency would remain vulnerable

to negative indications.

The market is more open-mindsaid, "but it will want to see more

forecasters predict that unemploy-ment will remain around Decem-

was bolstered by continuing speculation about a possible meeting of Group of Five ministers, fueled in part by a meeting of ministers from seven industrialized nations this weekend in Florence.

The meeting was set to prepare for an economic summit. But there have been some reports that the deputy finance ministers attending would be likely to discuss informally an early meeting of G-5 finance ministers, dealers said

It remained unclear whether the deputy finance ministers would attend the meeting, however, and whether the G-5 meeting would be

discussed, they said.

Dealers said that this week's U.S. Treasury actions also lent background support to the dollar. They said that the currency's future direction likely would depend on whether the United States takes steps to stabilize the dollar after the auction or if it attempts to push it lower in a further effort to narrow

the U.S. trade deficit. In earlier European trading, the dollar was fixed in Frankfurt at 1.8123 DM, up from 1.7935 Tuesber's level of 6.7 percent, with non-francs, up from 5.9845. It closed in

#### THE EUROMARKETS

## **Most Prices Little Changed Amid Auctions**

By Christopher Pizzey

LONDON — The U.S. Treasury auctions remained the dominant factor in many sectors of the Eurobond market on Wednesday and prices generally ended little changed, dealers said.

"It looks like another wasted week in my life," complained one dollar-straight trader at a U.S. securities house. The trader said some selected issues did edge 16 point firmer during the afternoon on the back of a slighter firmer undertone in the U.S. credit markets. But, he added, "There's no real volume in the market and there probably won't be until next 15 billion yen Eurobond paying 5% week."

At the end of London trading the when-issued 10-year notes were

quoted at 7.235 percent. Dealers noted that when the auctions are completed Thursday — with the sale of \$9.25 billion of 30-year bonds - the market will then have to contend with U.S.

January employment data. No new dollar-straight bonds were lamiched Wednesday. Ford Motor Credit Co. issued a

\$9.75 billion of 10-year notes.
Tuesday's auction of 3-year notes was Nomura International Ltd.
Tuesday's auction of 3-year notes was Nomura International Ltd.
The issue was quoted by one broker comfortably within the total fees of suction yield of 6.54 percent.

At the end of I ondon trading the

The National Bank of Canada issued a 5 billion yen dual-currency bond that is redeemable in dollars at the end of its seven-year life at a rate of 154.2132 yen to the dollar.

of his meeting in Washington with Kiichi Miyazawa, Japan's Finance Minister, according to Robert Per-kins, a Chrysler vice president. Very late Wednesday, Banque Indosuez issued a zero-coupon bond with a total redemption amount of \$50 million. The five-year issue was priced at 70.35 percent and jointly lead managed by steep slide at the end of 1986, pro-Daiwa Europe Ltd. and Mitsui duced no commitments on either Trust International.

# Bigger Deficit Coca-Cola Belize Project Angers Florida Growers By Mark Kurlansky Special to the Herald Tribune BELMOPAN, Belize — The citrus-growing project launched by Coca-Cola Foods in the Belizean jungle is just the kind of effort that

project launched by Coca-Cola Foods in the Belizean jungle is just the kind of effort that President Ronald Reagan's Caribbean policy is supposed to be producing.

NEW YORK - The chairmen bought 196,000 acres (79,000 hectares) of Belizof America's Big Three automakers ean land and plans to plant 25,000 acres with have told the Resean administracitrus groves. Its first nursery will open within a tion they expect America's automonth, and it plans to have a frozen-concenmotive trade deficit with Japan to trate processing plant operating by the midbe larger this year than in 1986 despite a substantial decline of the

The project could bring in more than \$100 million and change the face of this tiny, undeveloped Central American country as roads, the plant and a modest port facility are built.

But the Florida citrus lobby would like to see Caribbean citrus go the way of sugar, textiles and other key Caribbean products that Con-gress has excluded from the CBI because of complaints from American producers.

largest grower association, the Florida Citrus

Coca-Cola's plan has stirred excitement in this capital of 5,000 inhabitants. Although Belize has little infrastructure and few good roads, it has space. Much of that space is jungle dominated by Mayan ruins, jaguars and tapirs. But with an estimated one-third of the population underemployed, Belizeans are hoping Coca-Cola will start a trend.

Florida, the world's leading source of orange juice, has experienced five freezes in the past six years, and the lost production was replaced principally by imports from Brazil.

In each case, Brazil was in a position to demand significant price increases. Jon Parker, executive vice president of operations for Coca-Cola's food division, said the company saw the Belize project as a "bedge against Brazil."

Coca-Cola, which makes the Minute Maid brand, owns 30,000 acres in Florida and is one of the largest producers, purchasers and processors in the state. Mr. Parker said that 50 percent of Coca-Cola's orange juice would come from Florida even after the Belize project was at full

Other orange juice producers have been seeking freeze-free planting sites in Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, the Dominican Repub-

lic and elsewhere in the Caribbean basin. But Florida producers are worried that new plantings in the Caribbean could produce a glut on the world market that would lower prices.

Senator Lawton Chiles, Democrat of Florida, met recently with officials of the Overseas Private Investment Corp. and warned that he would mount legislation to stop them if they provided any financial support for foreign citrus projects.

OPIC has refused Coca-Cola insurance for the project, and the company is seeking alternatives in the private sector.

# CARIBBEAN: Red Tape, Waning U.S. Interest Thwart Trade Program

Caribbean experts attributed ism, the stormy global economic climate and the kind of bureaucratic inflexibility that hurt Fathom.

percent at the same time that it was promoting CBI. It was the lowest U.S. quota in nearly 100 years.

Washington's efforts to isolate the Sandinist regime in Nicaragua and protracted conflicts scare investors away not only from Nicara-gua, the experts said, but from Be-lize, Panama and other Central

American nations covered by CBL It also is difficult for the new businesses attracted by the initiative to generate enough jobs and export revenue to offset the plant closings of several long-established

But the chief reason for the dis-appointing results, trade specialists say, is the waning interest of an administration with a limited attention span for Caribbean eco-

in his State of the Union address. backs in sugar quotas. Not only is there less political visi-

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This year, for example, the U.S. themums and other cut flowers. some of the sluggishness of the CBI government slashed sugar imports, program to intensified protection- a major Caribbean export, by 41

But the Commerce Department under pressure from domestic flower growers, slapped a 19 percent tariff late last year on imports of cut flowers from Costa Rica.

The United States has opened a window of opportunity, but not very wide.'

Peter D. Laurie, Barbados's am-

gion's economy.

Kennedy Simonds, the prime minister of St. Christopher-Nevis, nomics.

Mr. Reagan, who lobbied actively for CBI in 1982, did not even jobs in his country but that 2,000 mention Caribbean trade last week in the cuttors were threatened by the cuttold visiting U.S. congressmen last criticism from Caribbean leaders, week that CBI had created 140 new Prime Minister Errol Barrow of

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The decision was seen as a blow

bassador to Washington, said that the reductions would have "devas-tating consequences" for the re-tating consequences are trying to develop to capitalize on

the zero-duty entry privileges.

Predictably, CBI has come in for Barbados said flatly that the program had brought his country "no visible benefits."

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His country is trying to export furniture, rum and processed foods to the United States, But Jamaican companies lack the technology and

The CBI program was launched on the theory that the economic decline of the region could be reversed through trade and tax concessions and heavy dollops of economic aid to the precarious economies of 22 countries strung out across the area. Among its pro-Visions were:

• Dury-free entry for all products except textiles, apparel, shoes, oil, leather goods, canned tuna, watches and parts.

· Deductibility from taxable income of expenses connected with American business conferences held in the designated countries.

 Economic assistance, which totaled \$1.2 billion in 1986, up onethird from 1983.

Thousands of Caribbean products had already been entering duty-free under the so-called Gen-Not only is there less political visi-bility for the program, but Con-gress is cutting back on aid. And ternational Development provided

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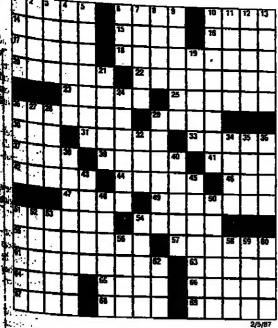
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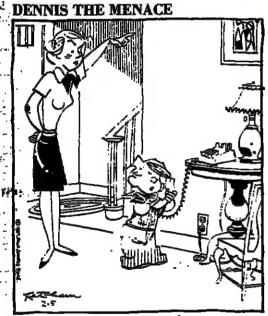
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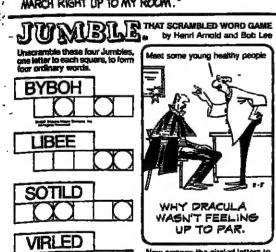
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Reviewed by Walter Goodman

THE jacket of D.M. Thomas's "Sphinx" announces that it is "the concluding volume of a 'troika' of novels dealing with improvisation and inspiration." A page or two into the book, however, the author's introduction gives us to understand that a fourth is yet to come. Thus, even before things begin, we can sniff the air of pleasurable perplexity that flowed through Thomas's two earlier works about art, sex, politics and the Soviet Union. Like the dazzling "Ararat" and the funny "Swallow," Thomas's latest novel can be read on its own --- as, among many other things, a tale of a murder of a poet named Rezanov by an African student who is out to get a poet named Rozanov and of the intrigue of a pair of Soviet citizens to find their way to the West.

The Sphinx may be Russia itself. "Our counthe Spinith hay be knassa need. Our order try," says the book's hero, "is one massive theatrical illusion, a theater of Meyerhold." Once again, the interweaving tales are told by various characters and in varied forms, in this case, through dreams, plays, poems and the transcript of a murder investigation, as well as through reasonably straight narrative prose. Whatever the form, the writing is as inventive as one has come to expect from the author of "The White Hotel."

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The two central figures of "Sphinx" are new. There is Shimon Barash, an idolized Soviet lewish improvisatore (a teller of spontaneous tales, an art form that has been wittily improvised by Thomas), who would like nothing better than to get out of Russia. His Muse, like that of all of Thomas's poets, is very sexy. Barash meets Lloyd George (no relation to the prime minister), a well-intentioned, sexual-

the prime minister), a well-intentioned, sexual-ly inexperienced, politically obtuse Welsh jour-nalist on a visit to Russia. It's an acid portrait

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of a "moderately radical" Briton. George of of a "moderately radical" Briton. George of course marches for nuclear disarmament, and although he does not necessarily support the Soviet line on Poland and Afghanistan, he can be counted on to be understanding.

Barash arranges for George to be seduced by the beautous Nadia, one of the "swallows" who sine for the KCIR and it also a fervent

who sing for the KGB, and is also a fervent member of the feminist Club Maria, which champions the right of women to be attractive to men and bear children. It's all part of a plot that culminates with Nadia in bed with a very that culminates with Nadia in bed with a very high Vatican dignitary and with Lloyd George in the loony bin. The last onerous assignment of George or his alter ego is to read "Ararat" ("The author's hurid style, / And themes of holocaust and lust / on every page, aroused disgust") preliminary to interviewing D.M. Thomas, his creator. Can the circle now be complete if so complex a design can be called a complete, if so complex a design can be called a

Even while enjoying the leaps of Thomas's imagination, readers who have not engaged with "Arzrat" or "Swallow" are likely to be left wondering about many of the people, events and references that dance through these pages. They cannot know, for example, that Serger Rozangy encountered bere as a patient in one Rozanov, encountered here as a patient in one of those celebrated Soviet psychiatric institutions, was the chief protagonist of "Ararat," a renowned and randy poet who created other characters who created yet others in Thomas's assemblage of Russian dolls. And what, the new reader may wonder, is all this about Push-lin's duel and Isadors's grarf and Cleonatra's kin's duel and Isadora's scarf and Cleopatra's

The repeated mentions of Ararat, the fabled city in Armenia where Noah's ark came to rest upon twin peaks, which Thomas likes to think of as Sheba's breasts, cannot mean much to the reader who does not know the weight that was placed in the first two books on the memory of the massacre of Armenians by the Turks. And without having read "Swallow," which brought us an Olympics of improvisation — champion storytellers from around the world competing for honors in spontaneity and style — how can one know that "Ararat" itself was an improvione know that "Ararat" itself was an improvisation or appreciate the improvisatores and improvisatores who appear here? There should be no trouble, however, in recognizing that improvisation by its nature is a threat to the totalitarian mentality. As one apparatchik puts it, "The poet has no right to follow his inspiration, the Party must dictate what he writes."

"Sphinx" does not glisten quite as brightly as "Ararat" or provide the belly laughs of "Swallow." But it is tantalizing enough for stream!

It's a virtuoso performance, and if you are left a touch confused, the earlier books await. Meanwhile, Thomas offers an apology of sorts: I know the world's completely mad; You mustn't ask me to explain;

Nothing, almost, is a surprise. The sphinx is moving his slow thighs.

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#### BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

the Manhattan Club, at 27 with East.

West 72d Street. North-South would have had no great difficulty in two hearts, but they were pushed to the three-level. Steve Nellissen of Manisattan, who sat North, reported the skillful play of his partner, Greg Woods of Manhattan.

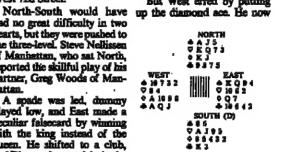
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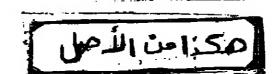


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claiming yachting's biggest prize, had the best boat."

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who was blanked in his first America's Cup final.

'It's hard to explain, but it's a great day to be an American," said than we had," said Murray of Contactician Tom Whidden, who lost ner. "Kookaburra III just hasn't great day to be an American," said than we had," said Murray of Contactician Tom Whidden, who lost that Stripes team—and a great moment for Dennis Counter. "Kookaburra III just hasn't with Conner in '83. "I think we got what he's got, and that's it. We showed that not only are we thought we were sailing better than the sailors to go along with it. I'd like to say it was all skill, but we they realize they've been beaten by year-old San Diego sailor who ded-have the sailors to go along with it. to his crew, Murray said: "I think cated three years of his life to re-leated three years of his life to re-

a better boat and a better team on this occasion, and they accept Conner received a message of congratulations from President Ronald Reagan via a telephone hookup with U.S. Ambassador

Laurence William Lane Jr.

"Your victory represents more than just another yachting tri-imph," Reagan said in his message. "It reflects the pinnacle of teamwork, competitiveness, hard work and American stick-to-it ingenuity. Your patience has paid off and all of America is proud."

Prime Minister Bob Hawke, who declared a national holiday when Australia won the cup, also phoned his congramlations to both sides.

Kookaburra III was never really in Wednesday's race, which was sailed in 16-to 19-knot breezes. Conner led from start to finish, as he had in the three previous carbon-copy outings against the Aus-

Recognized as masters at sailing 12-meter yachts, Conner and Whidden brushed by the starting boury just as the cannon fired and five seconds ahead of Peter

final race: "What Goes Up Must tune the rest of the 24,1-mile race. "He just had a bit more speed Kookaburra III never got close enough to use her agility in a tack-

Murray's lemon-yellow 12 could only trail Conner's blue yacht around the Indian Ocean like a puppy on a leash. Conner put the race out of reach

on the third of eight legs, when he line, you added a crushing 20 seconds to his granted." finish line I minute and 59 seconds

in front, the three-year residency of

the trophy at the Royal Perth Yacht Club, which turned this sports-loving nation cup-crazy, came to a bittersweet end. It was the culmination of three years of practice and planning for Conner and his Sail America syndi-

cate from the San Diego Yacht They built three yachts and spent \$20 million (including \$20,000 a day to keep the campaign here go-

ing) to bring back the cup. Stars & Stripes had to survive four months of elimination against 12 other challengers. Conner used the series as a prov-

ing ground to make the subtle changes in hull, sails and rigging that brought Stars & Stripes to what even Kookaburra syndicate chief Kevin Parry called "perfect" racing trim,

Gilmour, the aggressive helmsman ner allowed the security skirt to be night."

ner but couldn't. By breaking in wings on its bottom remained cov-front, Conner was able to call the ered in brown paper.w

Conner said he had not put his yacht "in our fastest mode" when racing began in October. "We had a little more tiger in our tank."

He said he finally thought Stars & Stripes had an edge against Kookaburra III "halfway up the second windward beat in the third race. But until you cross the finish line, you don't take anything for

ad. The sound of the gun at Wednes-When Stars & Stripes crassed the day's finish touched off an explosion of red, white and blue fireworks set off by the huge spectator

> After Conner crossed the line, there were champagne toasts, jets of water from fire hoses, American flags and bugs from admirers - as Murray and his crew shared the silence of defeat and frustraion. "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" shouted a Conner and his crew in a tribute to Kookaburra III before circling the harbor to the cheers of 50,000 fans.

Said Conner, who had wept as Stars & Stripes crossed the line, "this is a high moment for us. The America's Cup is the holy grail of yachting." He added that he has no plans of retiring. "Don't be sur-prised to see us back in the defense

Conner's wife, Judy, said his effort has been "a single-minded, tunnel-vision crusade." Asked if her husband, who owns a drapery Keels of cup 12-meter racers are business in San Diego, would now among their darkest secrets. Con-

# Spirited Australians Join Celebration

FREMANTLE, Australia -Australians refused to mourn Wednesday's loss of the Ameri-

in taverns and hotels throughout Fremantle, they shared drinks with Americans as Dennis Conner sailed Stars and Stripes to a 4-0 sweep of Kookaburra III to win back the cup he lost in 1983.

At the Newport Hotel, unofficial headquarters of the American fans, the doors had to be closed

because the building was packed to capacity. Some Australians tried to climb in the windows, but security guard Mark Bailey - a resident of Boston - said there were no violent incidents.

The Australians have been just awesome," said Johnelle Miller, 20, from Colorado, "The people here are showing us tremendous respect."

The mass of singing sweating hodies included New Yorker Walker Mason, "The Austra-

go," he said. "He's just flying." Said Chris Haleva, a student from Perth who was among the throng at the Norfolk: "I'm disappointed we have lost the cup, but we might as well enjoy ourselves. It won't affect the national cgo — we've got too many other things going for us." Gillian Bullock, another Perth resident, said Australians had accepted defeat before the fourth race of the series. "I think everyone was resigned to it, and we're reknowned for having a good time regardless," she said. "It isn't a disaster we lost a boat race. Everyone went crazy when we won it, so we might as well go crazy new we have lost it."

In the background, a muss of Australians sang, "Forget the cup, drink more beer," and chanted the name of beaten skipper lain Murray, "We Australians have a reputation for hitting people when they're down, but everyone believes Murray did a good job." said Carol Soutar.

friendly," he said. "It's a fun,

drinking, crazy kind of crowd.

At the tavern of the Norfolk

Hotel, Australians sang For He's

A Jolly Good Fellow to honor

Conner. A motorcyclist, whose

leather jacket proclaimed him a member of "Odin's Warriors,"

raised a tankard in salute: "I

don't know what he has got on

that boat, but man look at him

but there is no hostility at all."

As the two vachts returned to port, fans lined the harbor to give them a rousing greeting. At dockside, a cry went up: "Good on yer Dennis. . . . We'll get you next time."



Dennis Conner, after crossing the finish: "It's a great moment."

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# Zurbriggen Wins Record-Setting 2d Gold

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Zurbriggen mastered both, one championship, topping the topping Anstria's 25-year-old mark mark he had shared with Hess.

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The Associated Press

day's super-giant slalom, lifted his overall mark, held by Swiss teamskiers. The second was smoother team to a record for gold medals at mate Erika Hess. Wednesday's victorial mark faster.

slalom at the world Alpine ski championship golds, breaking Inge-championships. championships. Stenmark's men's career record Zurbriggen, who also won Mon- and leaving him one short of the never forget this day."

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**Cup-Final Summaries** 

Zurbriggen now has four world said Zurbriggen, the silver medalist championship golds, breaking Inge in the downhill and the combined. "This is really without limits. I'll

> Joel Gaspoz of Switzerland, the leader after the first leg, fell approaching the third-from-last gate of the second run and skidded over the finish line on his side.

Marc Girardelli of Luxembourg, the only non-Swiss winner so far, took the silver, while third-placed Alberto Tomba picked up Italy's

Their starting guns had been spiked, but Freemantle's denizens worked hard at maintaining boisterous good cheer.

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Gaspoz had the lead after the first leg with a clocking of 1:17.22, three-tenths of a second ahead of Zubriggen. On the second run, Girardelli registered 1:14.52, flying into the lead on the bottom part of the course. After Tomba's 1:15.27, Zurbriggen set out on his goldmedal chase. He was 11-hundredths of a second off the pace on the top of the 1,207-meter (3.958foot) course and only fifth at the midway point.

Then he accelerated. He nearly Although both contained 50 lost control coming into the final gates, the two runs down the Chet- third, flailing his arms backward to The first contained a tight, treacherous upper part that bothered many and edge Girardelli.

# **SPORTS BRIEFS**

#### Pinango Thwarts Duarte, Keeps Title

INGLEWOOD, California (AP) - Bernardo Pinango of Venezuela halted Frankie Duarte's comeback short of its goal Tuesday night by winning a unanimous 15-round decision and retaining his World Boxing Association bantamweight championship.

Duarte, 32, had been aiming for a world title since resuming his career

three years ago after a self-imposed five-year absence from the ring because of drug abuse and alcoholism.

Pinango dominated most of the light, but Duarte had the champion in

trouble a number of times. Early in the 12th round, he floored Pinango with a right hand, but was unable to finish him off. Judge Roberto Ramirez scored the bout 142-141, while Rodolfo Hill

had it 143-140 and Juan Maio 145-140. Pinango, 26, won the title in a 15-round decision over Gaby Canizales

last June; Tuesday's was his third defense, and improved his record to 21-2-2. Duarte, 32, had won 9 of his 11 fights after being out of boxing since 1979. His record is 41-7-1.

#### NFL Falcons Hire Campbell as Coach

SUWANEE, Georgia (AP) — Marion Campbell, defensive coordinator of the Atlanta Falcons, was hired for a second time as head coach by the National Football League team on Tuesday, ending a six-week search that included rejections by at least two other candidates. Campbell, 57, was given a four-year contract who terms were not

disclosed. Campbell, who returned to the team last season, was fired as coach in

1976 after compiling a 6-19 record in parts of three seasons. His hiring came 43 days after owner Rankin Smith Sr. fired Dan Henning, who had a 22-41-1 record in four seasons, including a 7-8-1 record in 1986.

The search for a top coach included rejections from the Falcons' first choice, Dick Vermeil, now a television commentator, and UCLA Coach Terry Donahue. In addition, Atlanta sought permission last week to talk to Bill Parcells, coach of the Super Bowl champion New York Giants. The Giants refused to let Parcells talk to the Falcons.

#### Oxford Crew Drops Four Americans

OXFORD, England (AFP) - Four U.S. carsmen at Oxford University are out of the race against Cambridge on March 26, it was announced on Wednesday. Two told Donald MacDonald, the Oxford Boat Club president, that they no longer wish to row; two failed to show up for training Wednesday and were dropped.

The recent dismissal of a fifth American, Chris Clarke, precipitated tensions that had subsequently seemed resolved. But at meeting Tuesday night, the captains of the college boat clubs gave MacDonald a vote of confidence in his handling of crew selection and the dissention that

The four Americans had apparently hoped that the meeting would not result in a confirmation of MacDonald's authority.

#### Quotable

 Utah Jazz coach Frank Layden, on registering his 200th victory as a National Baskethall Association coach: "Now I've only got 738, or whatever, to catch Red Auerbach. So look out, Red." (LAT) Tennis player Martina Navratilova; "In Czechoslovakia there is no

such thing as freedom of the press. In the United States there is no such thing as freedom from the press."



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# Send Them More Snow

WASHINGTON — Despite matter how many snowplows you what the president said last deploy, they're only going to be week, the United States doesn't blocked by people taking early needs a Star Wars program — it leave from the Pentagon."
needs a Snow Flow Initiative. All Jerryboam showed satellite phomissile being fired.

The idea of having enough snow-clearing equipment for Washing-

ton has always been a dream of government sci-

Werner Zamblowski, a leading voice for developing the Snow Plow Initiative, claims it is not only feasipie to produce

such a system Buchwald with present technology, but it is

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Opponents of the Snow Plow Initiative believe SPI is unrealistic. Jarrell Jerryboam is opposed be-cause he doesn't think snow remov-al in Washington has any future. Once the first snowflake hits the ground," he says, "everyone in the nation's capital panies. It doesn't

#### **Bolshoi Theater Renovation**

The Associated Press would close for about six mouths this year, reopen for a short time, Theater of the Operetta.

Reagan had to do was look out the tographs of last week's storm to window of his limousine to realize prove that snowplows are not the the capital had been brought to a answer to snow removal. "It takes grinding halt without one Soviet more than equipment to deter snow. The truth is that there is no response to a Washington snowfall because the chance of human error is too great."

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger, caught in a storm on the George Washington Parkway, told reporters in an off-the-record wiener roast that Moscow has three times as many snowplows as Washington. These plows have a throw weight capable of clearing a sixlane highway from Pinsk to Minsk in less than an hour.

Asked why Washington is so short on trucks and buildozers, and the Soviets so big on them, Weinabsolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolutely necessary considering berger blamed liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals soft on snow the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals soft on the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals so the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals so the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals so the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals so the snow job the Soviets are doing for drifting from one crisis to an absolute liberals so the snow job th other. He told Ted Koppel, who happened to be on the parkway

> I called the White House and asked where the president stood on a Snow Plow Initiative.

A spokesman replied, "The president's dream has always been to leave a clean Washington behind when he finished his term. He plans to go on television next week and deny that any U.S. snow-removal equipment was sold to Iran. He will also announce that he is appointing a snow-removal commission made up of those guilty of last week's disaster to recommend what Wash-ington should do in case of a new

"In an address to the nation the president will express sympathy for those who suffered during the past week and he intends to read a letter from a little girl who couldn't go to school and pray because of the snowstorm and the Supreme Court.

"Finally be will cite a true na-MOSCOW — Moskovskaya tional hero — a driver of a tow Pravda said the Bolshoi Theater truck who was buried in an embankment for three days on I-66. When he was dug out he was asked then close again for two years of by the highway patrol if he had any repairs. During reconstruction, message for the American people Bolshoi performances will be at the and he said, 'Send me more

# **Reading Room Battle**

By James F. Clarity New York Times Service

T ONDON - As long as there's an England, there will probably be a reading room at the Brit-ish Museum. But there is a keen, continuing dispute among Britons about exactly how best to use the splendid high-domed room, which was a workplace for. among others. Karl Marx, Charles Dickens, George Bernard Shaw and Lenin, who signed in as Jacob Richter LL.D.

The disagreement, which di-vides titled notables as well as untitled librarians and bureaucrats, centers on the reorganization of the British Library and its new building. One side feels it is about to be kicked out of its traditional reading place; the other side says its opponents should be happy they are getting a new place with a better atmosphere for books, if not readers.

First, the combatants master the complicated history and logis-tics of the Reading Room Question, a feat compared to Viscount three men ever understood the Schleswig-Holstein Question: "One died, one went mad, and I've forgotten."

The reading room battle continues in statements and counter-statements and newspaper arti-cles and readers' letters, because the government has not given final approval to the part of the plan that is most controversial. But the government could act at any time, as no further approval by Parliament is needed. The government is not saying what it will do, and many of the antagonists Prime Minister Margaret Thatch-

In 1973, the reorganization took control of the reading room away from the British Museum and gave it to a new body, the British Library. The British Library then began to construct a huge, new building for itself, about a mile (1.6 kilometers) away from the museum, which is in Bloomsbury.

Under the library's plan, its new building, adjacent to St. Pancras Station, is to have a reading room that takes over the functions of the old one back at the



As construction goes ahead on new site (above), controversy rages on fate of the old reading room (right).

British Museum. The collection of rare books and papers now avail-able only in the old reading room are to be available only in the new reading room.

The reading room at the museum would be used for special collections of the museum. But the trove of works in the arts and humanities, as the property of the library, would no longer be available under the famous light-blue dome, whose 140-foot (42.6-meter) diameter is slightly greater than that of St. Peter's Basilica.

The chairman of the British Library, and chief proponent of moving books to the new reading room, is Anthony Meredith Quinton, a philosopher who is the President of Trinity College, Ox-

The opponents are headed by his friend, Hugh Thomas, the historian. They both note that Lord Quinton was once a member of the Campaign to Save the Round Reading Room. "An embarrass-ment," Lord Quinton said in an

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Both said they were friendly with Daniel J. Boorstin, the Librarian of Congress, and had dis-cussed the dome controversy with him. Lord Quinton said he had much blown upon."
"It is very stark," he said. "But the impression that Dr. Boorstin tended to agree with him that the

building and the old room. The railroad was Lord Thomas's idea. Such a railway was not successful, Lord Quinton said, in serving readers at the Bodleian Library at Oxford.

solution was definitely not an un-derground railroad to circulate

the rare books between the new

"I've never been a great one for the reading room," he said of the one at the museum, with its spe-cial collections in history and social sciences. "As a philosopher, I've stayed at Oxford. I've been a loyal Bodleian man."

He added of the London room: "It's a remarkable piece of Victorian architecture. One feels one Of the shape of the new build-

ing designed by Colin St. John



Wilson, he said, agreeing with op-ponents, "It is fair to say that it came at the tail end of a certain architectural style that is now

Macaulay said, 'In architecture mere bulk is an element of sublimity.' It certainly isn't going to be pretty. Then he summarized the argu-

ment of the proponents of taking the old books away from the old reading room, saying of the new building, "It will be an efficient container of books."

Lord Quinton said the first books would start to be moved into the new building and made available there in two or three years, once the building is fin-ished. He said he thought Lord Thomas might be ready to compromise because he had already achieved two of three goals: pre-serving the architecture of the old domed reading room, and pre-serving the structure as a reading room, albeit a different kind of reading room. The compromise

might be to stop fighting the absorption of the old room's books by the new room in the new build-

The building project manager for the British Library, David Rodger, said he sometimes grew weary of Lord Thomas's campaign. "His proposal is based on flimsy priorities. We're not pre-pared to let rare books be moved by rail or by tunnel."

Rodger said the collection of the British Library, which by law must get a copy of every book, newspaper and journal published in the country, was 15.5 million volumes and was growing at the rate of about 4.3 miles a year, standing up in shelf stacks.

Lord Thomas, who has used the

reading room since 1958 - when be researched "The panish Civil War" — was adament, but not rigid. "We feel it's a marvelous library, a great room, inspiring to work in. It's not overcrowded, as it was in the early '70s when there were so many American research students you couldn't get a seat."

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James H. Webb, 40, a highly dec orated Vietnam veteran and novelist who three years ago became the Pentagon's first assistant secretary for reserve affairs, said Tuesday be had submitted his resignation and would step down at the end of the month. "I'm going to write another novel," Webb said. He wrote the best seller "Fields of Fire," a novel about ground combat in Vietnam, and two other books. "A Sense of Honor" and "A Country Such as

Lord Avelury, the British peer who sent a shudder of revulsion through Britain when he said last month he wanted his remains to be eaten by dogs, is now considering providing a posthumous meal for fish. Avebury, 58, a convert to Bud-dhism, told the London Standary he was still worried that his earthly remains might be wasted after death. Another idea is to create burial parks, whereby relatives would plant a tree over the body of their interred loved ones. "This cems to combine being bio-degradable and the concept of a lasting memorial, because future generations can go and contemplate the oak under which Great Uncle John once lay," he said.

"Top Gun" star Tom Cruise has replaced Sylvester Stallone as the top box-office draw in the United States, according to a poll of U.S. motion picture exhibitors.

The ballet star Mikhail Bervahnikov and the singer-actress Bernedette Peters have been selected man and woman of the year by &-Harvard University's Hasty Pod-

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